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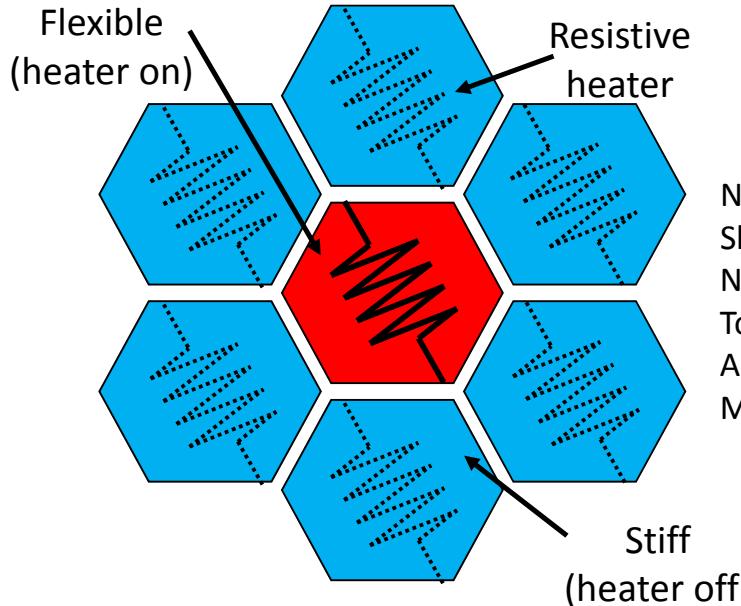
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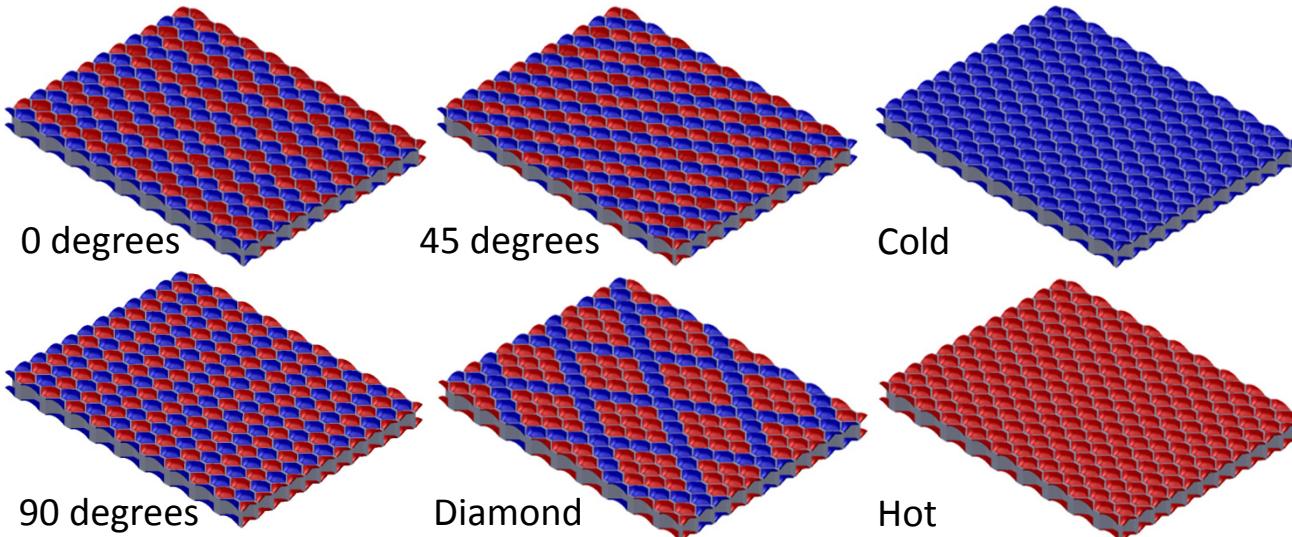
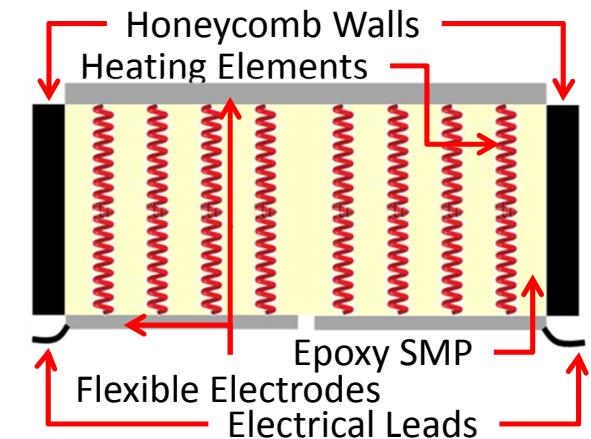


Project Outline



Skin Objectives (via MAS)

Nominal Panel Size 15" x 20"
Shear from 30° to 75°
No Wrinkling of Skin
Total Skin Weight <0.95 lb/sqft
Aerodynamic Load 400lb/sqft
Max Out-of-Plane Deflection 0.1"

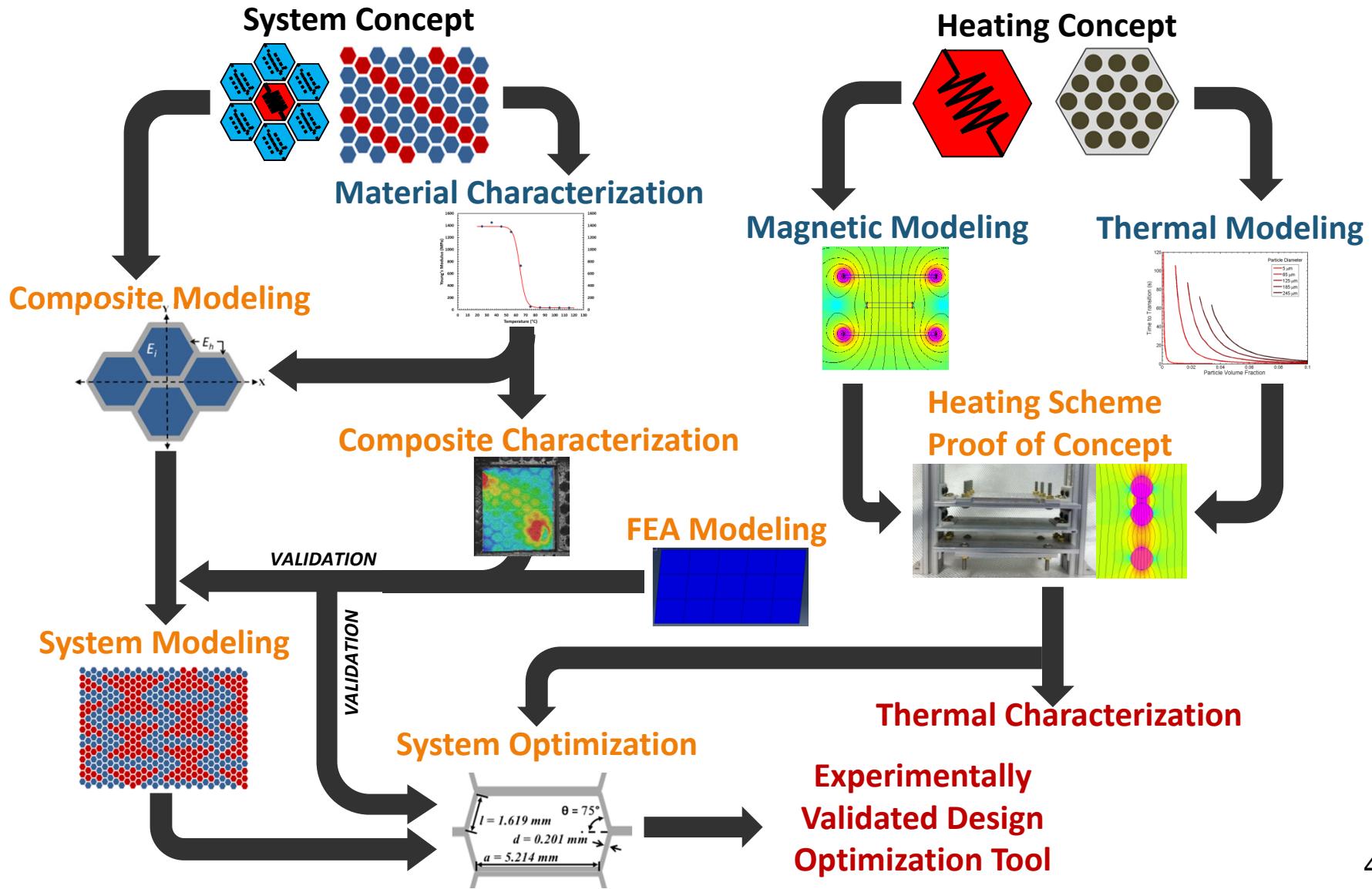


Heating Patterns

- 0 degrees
- +45 degrees
- 45 degrees
- 90 degrees
- Diamond
- Large Honeycomb
- Auxetic
- Isotropic
- 0 Poisson
- Top/Bottom
- Left/Right

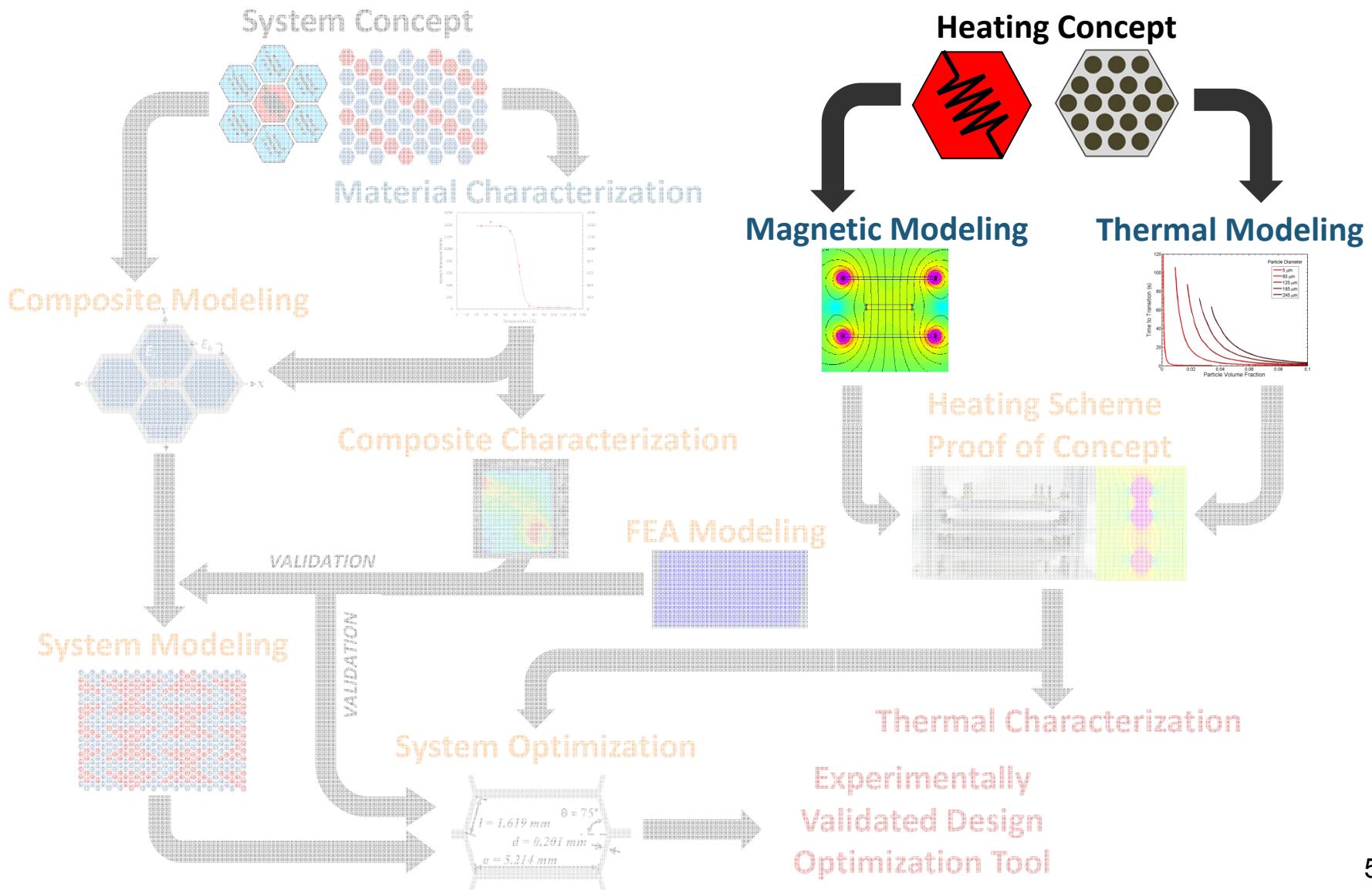


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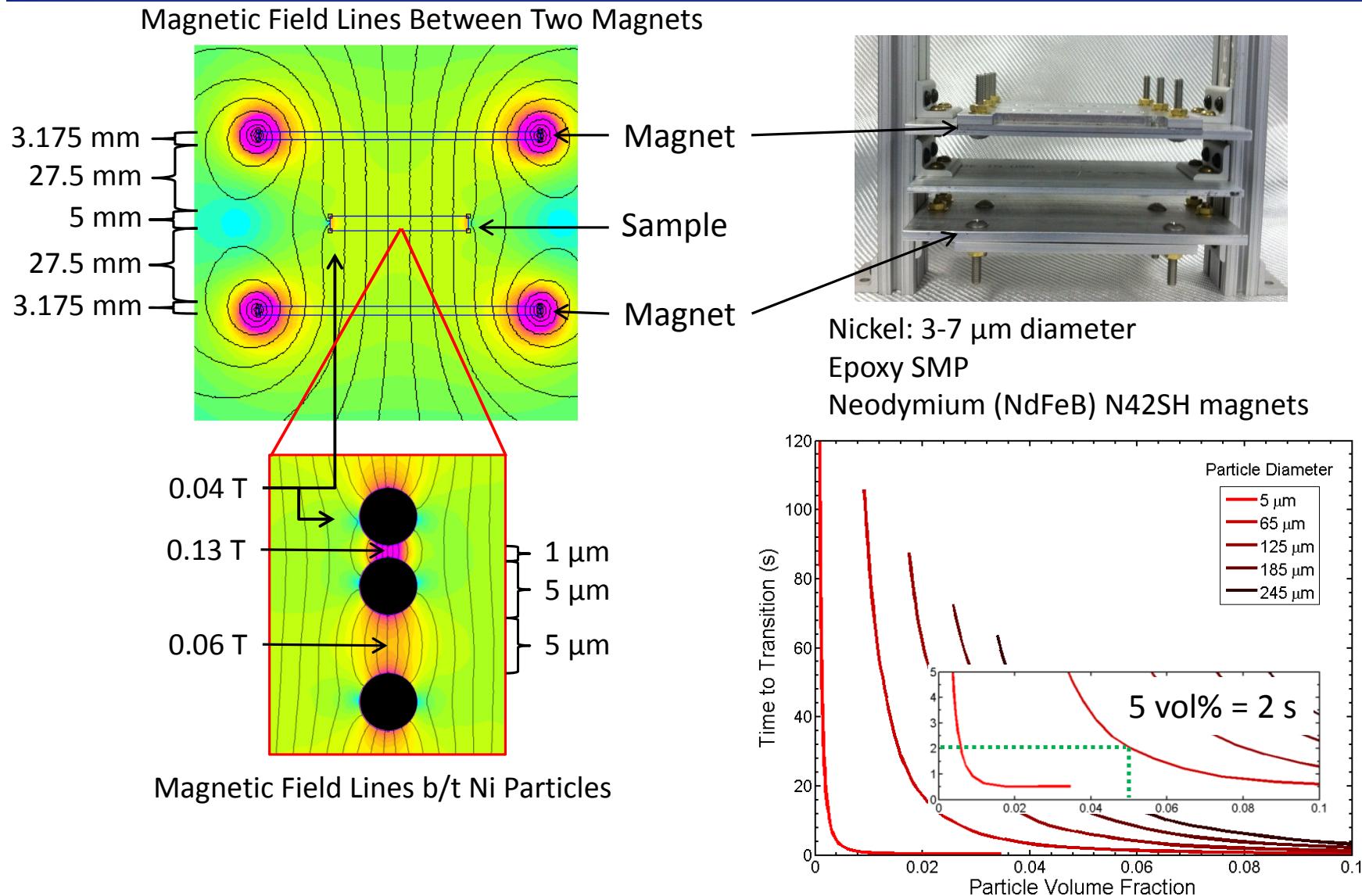


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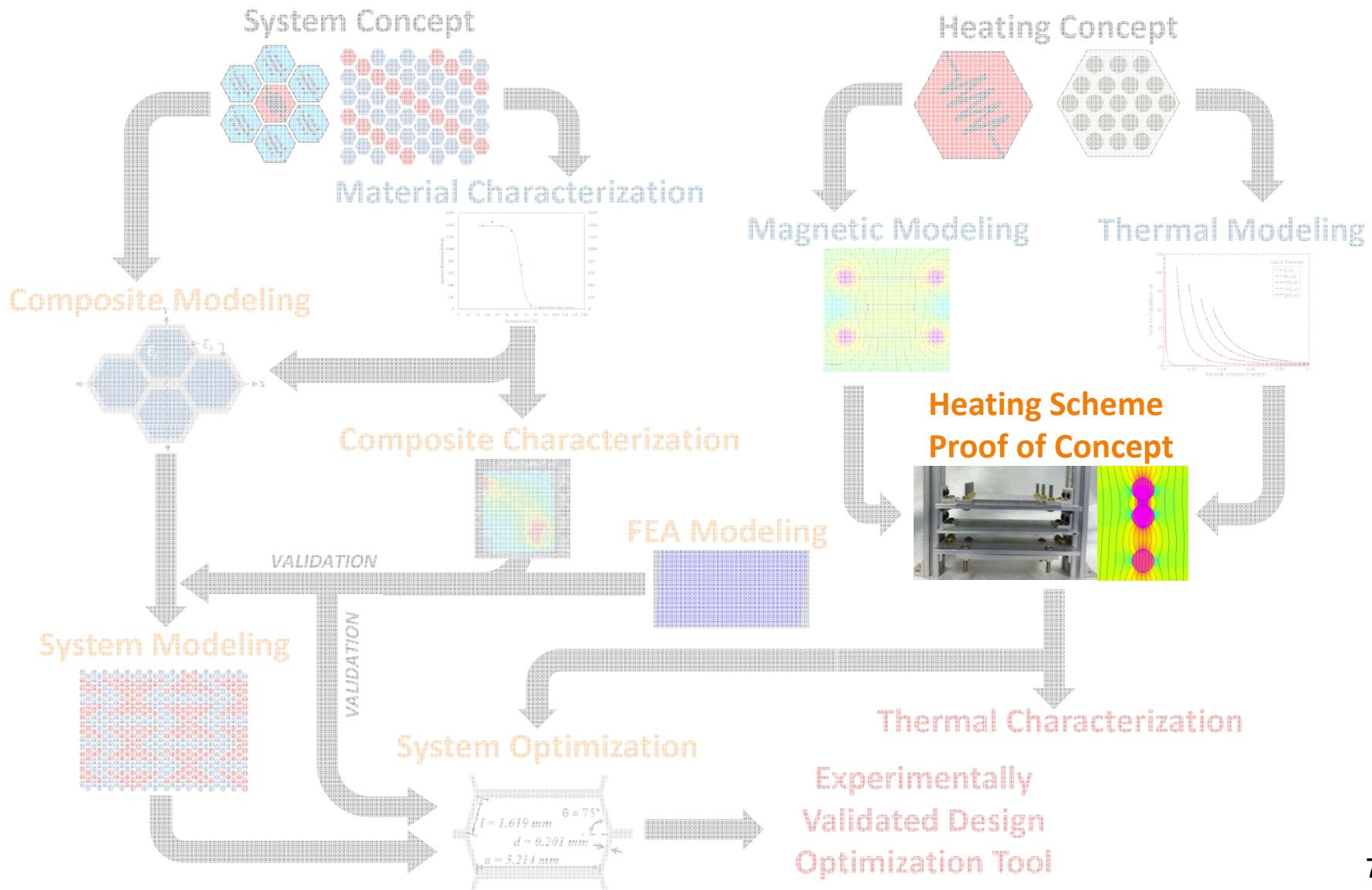


Magnetic and Thermal Modeling





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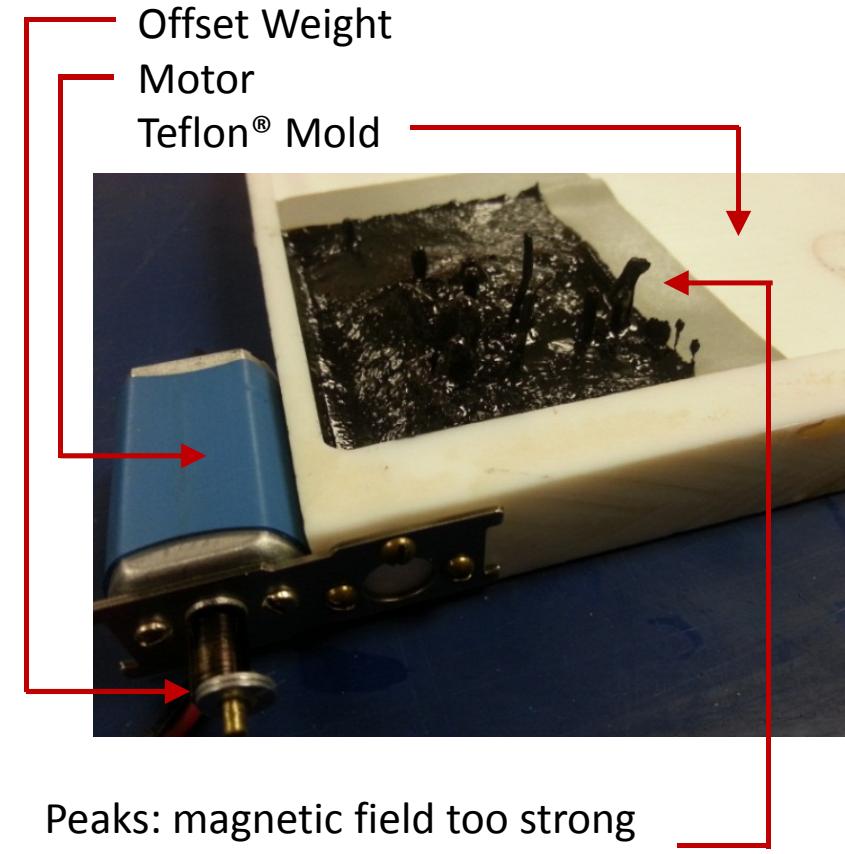
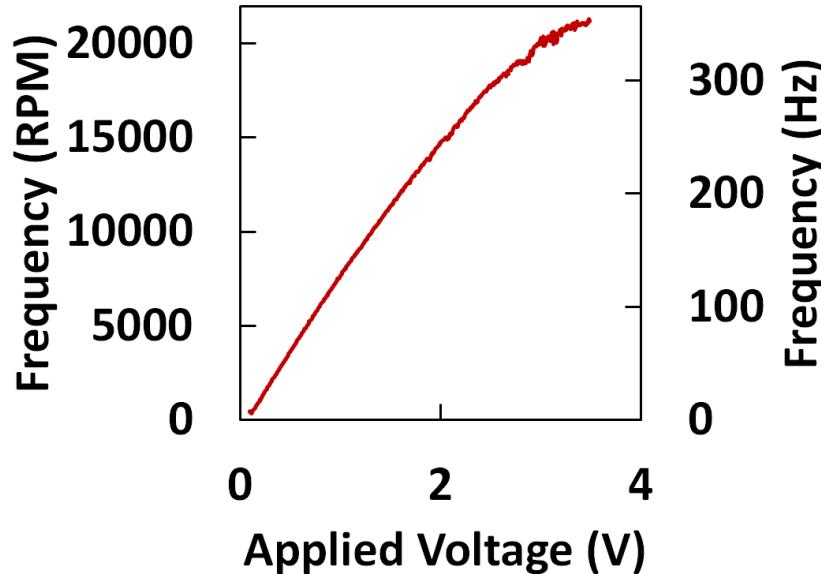
Heating Scheme Proof of Concept



Velocity of a particle subject to a pulsating fluid

$$u = \frac{3\rho}{\rho + 2\rho_s} v_\infty$$

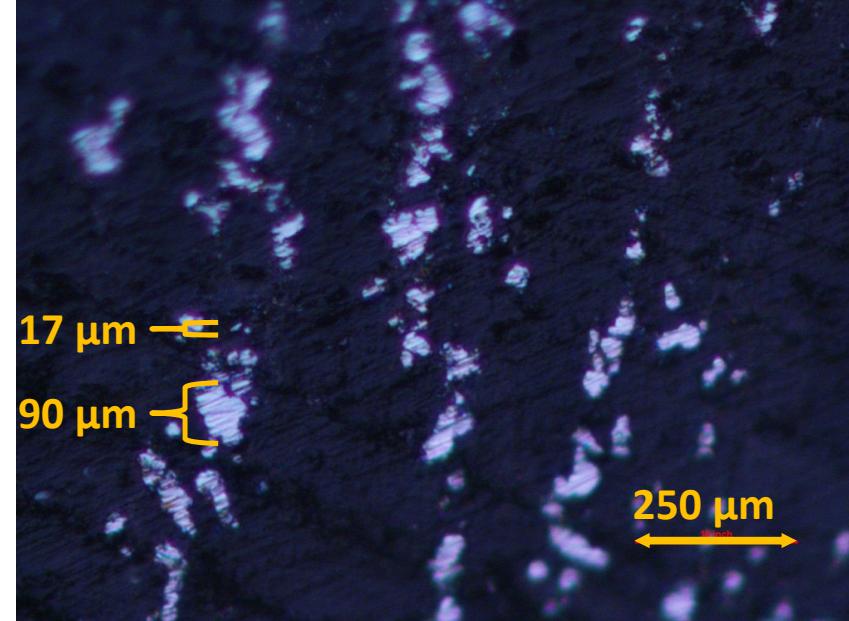
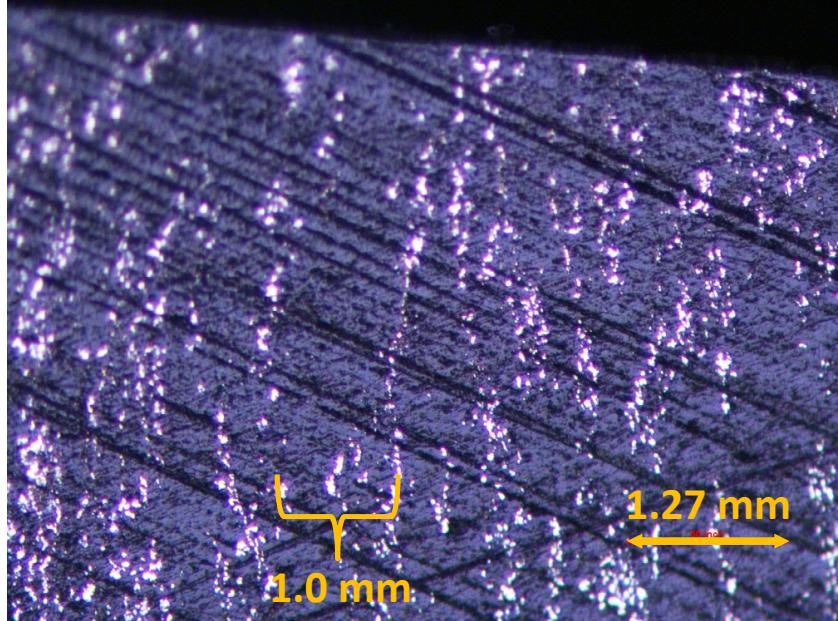
u particle velocity
 ρ fluid density
 ρ_s particle density
 v_∞ imposed pulsating field



D.V. Lyubimov, A.Y. Baydin, T.P. Lyubimova; *Particle Dynamics in a Fluid Under High Frequency Vibrations of Linear Polarization*, J. of Microgravity Science & Technology, vol. 25, pp 121-126, 2013



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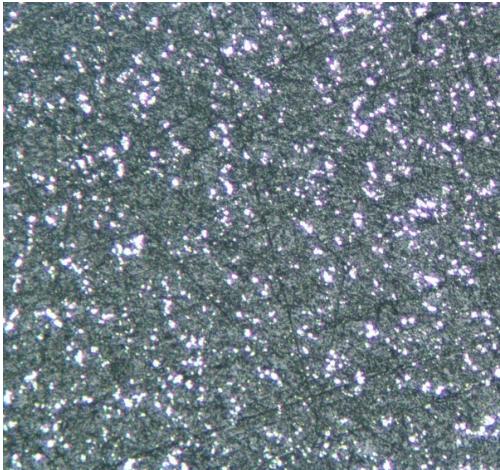


5 vol% 3-7 μm Nickel particles
Neodymium magnets 40mm separation
350 Hz vibration
212°F for 3 hours
Mold: 10 x 10 x 0.75 cm

$\phi_c = 0.41$ (50 μm diameter, δ_c 10 nm)
 $\phi_{exp} = 0.10$
10 vol%, 10V, random orientation: 60s



Heating Scheme Proof of Concept

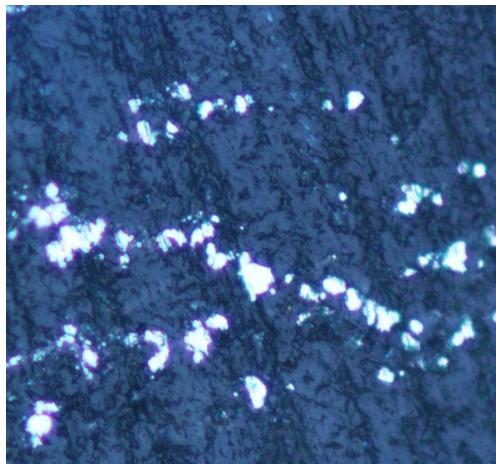


End View of Nickel

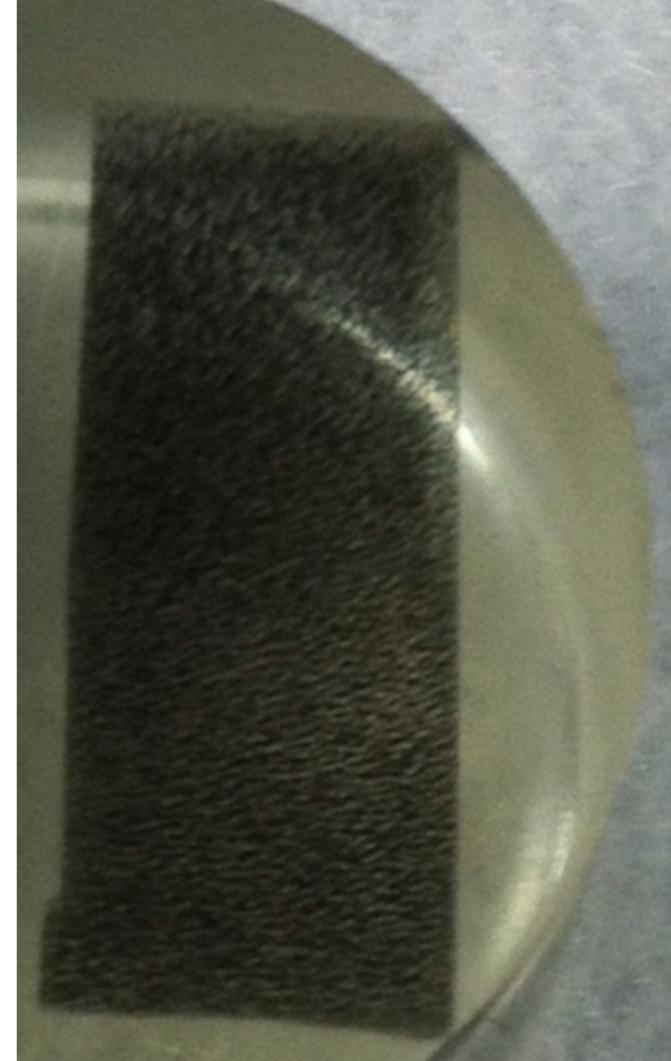


Tested several Copper, Steel, and NiChrome mesh electrodes
100x100 Cu most promising

Current activation: 10V, ~60s



Side View Nickel

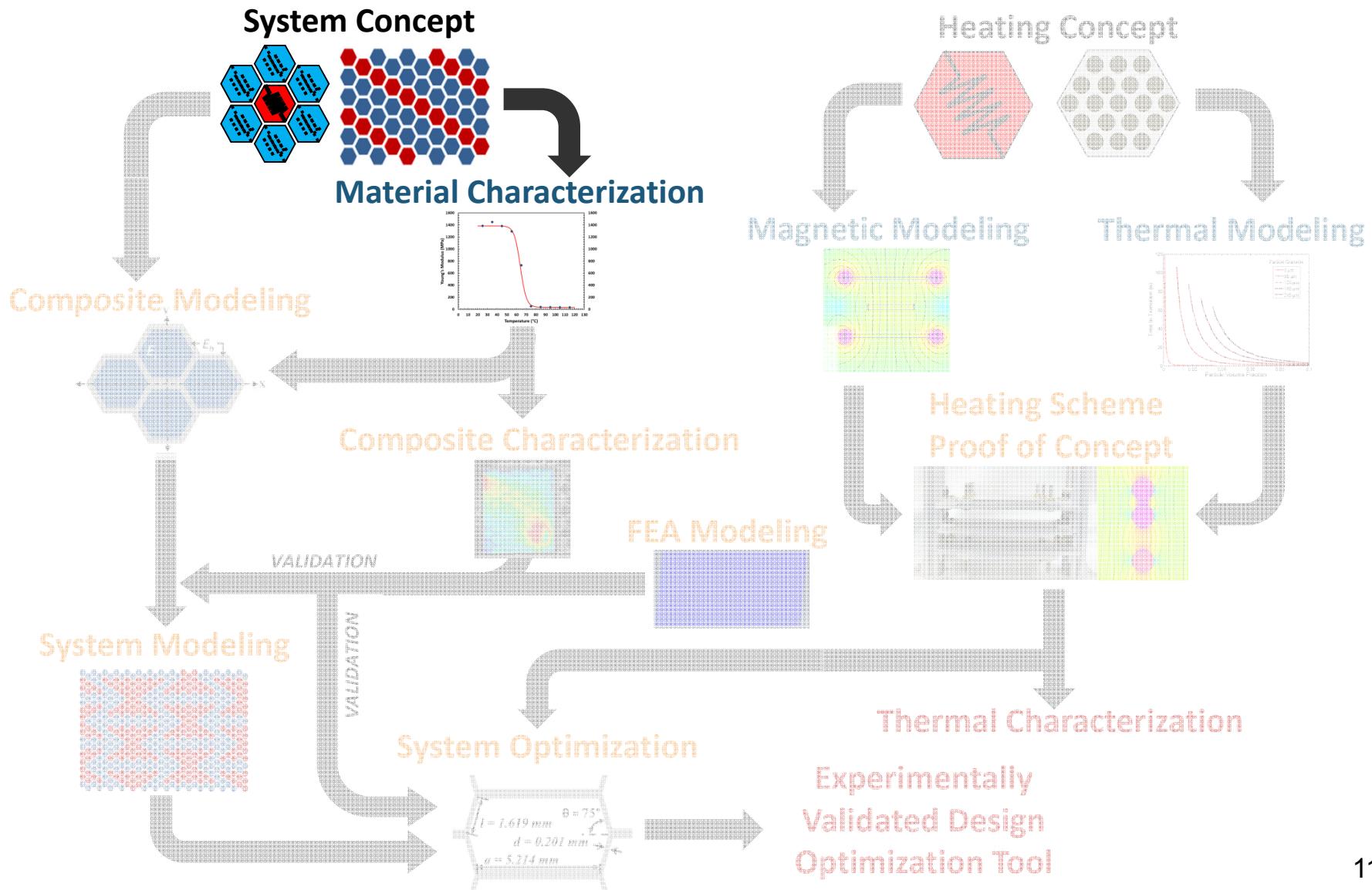


End View of Particle Chains

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Project Roadmap





Epoxy SMP Characterization



Epoxy SMP Formulation

0.02 mol (7.28g) EPON 826
0.01 mol (2.3g) Jeffamine D230
100°C for 1.5hr, 130°C for 1hr

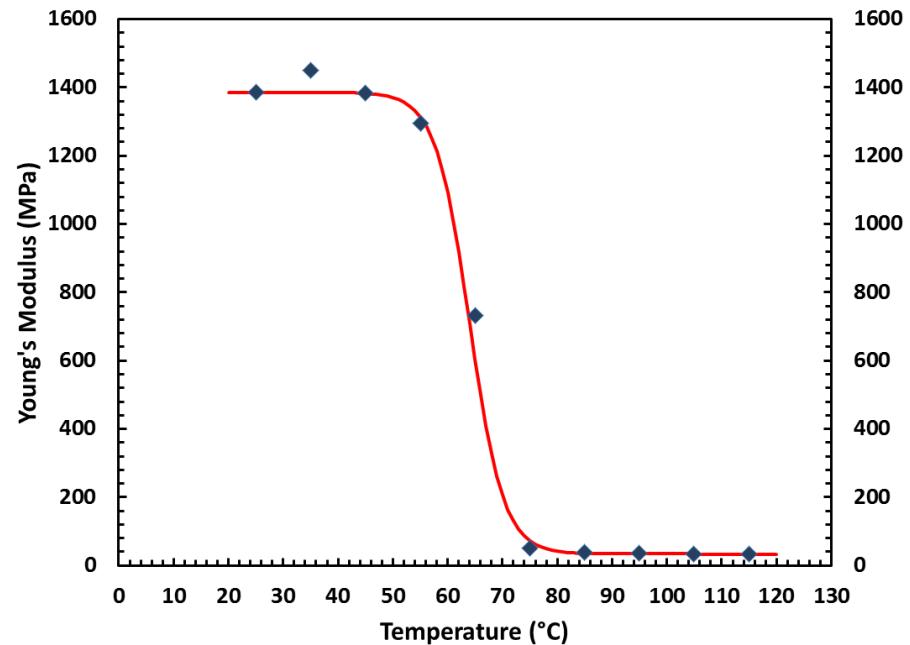


Epoxy SMP Characterization

Experimental Results

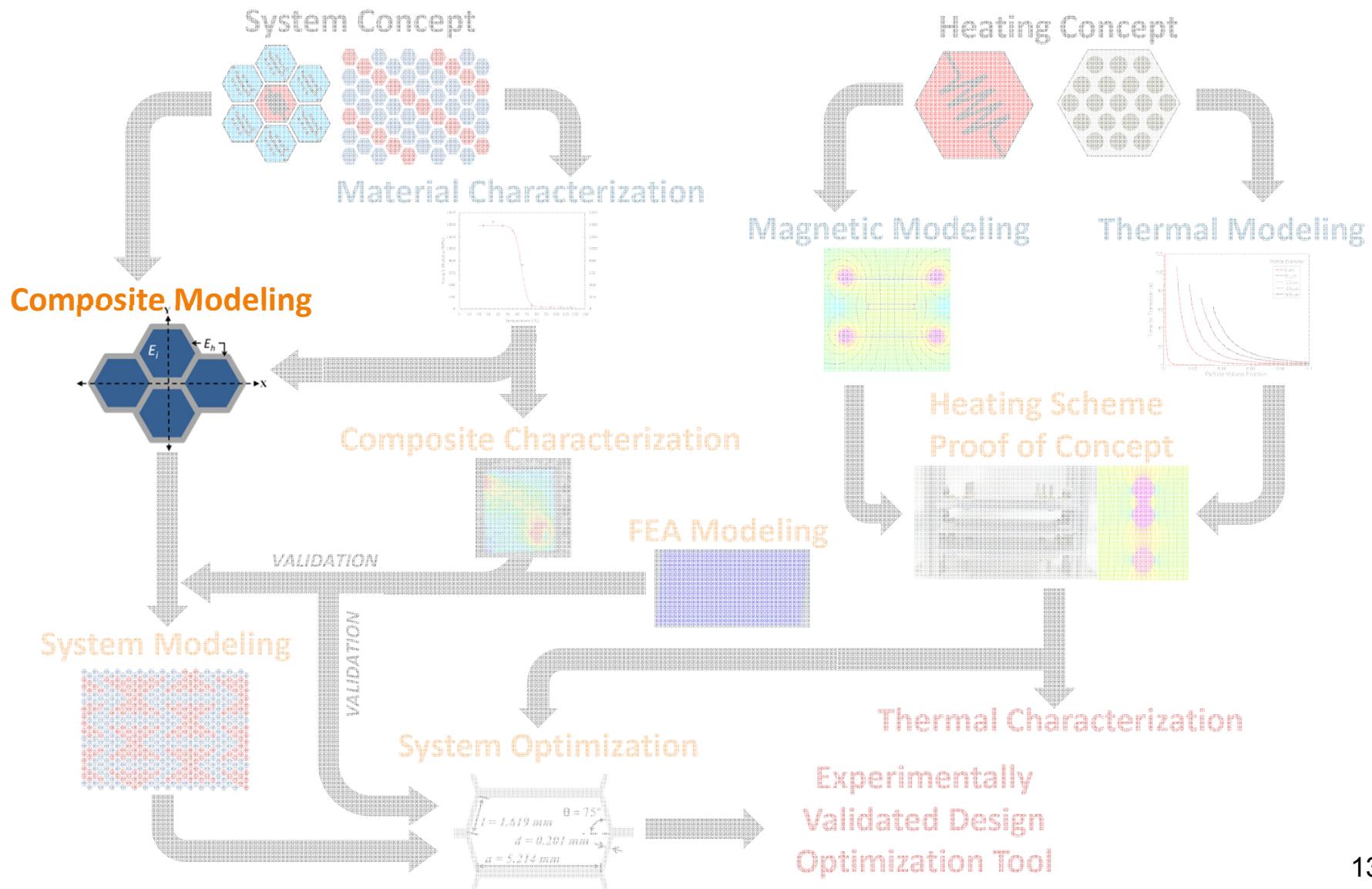
T_g	65 °C
E (ambient)	1300 MPa
E (115 °C)	19 MPa

Values consistent over several batches, 0-8 week sample age



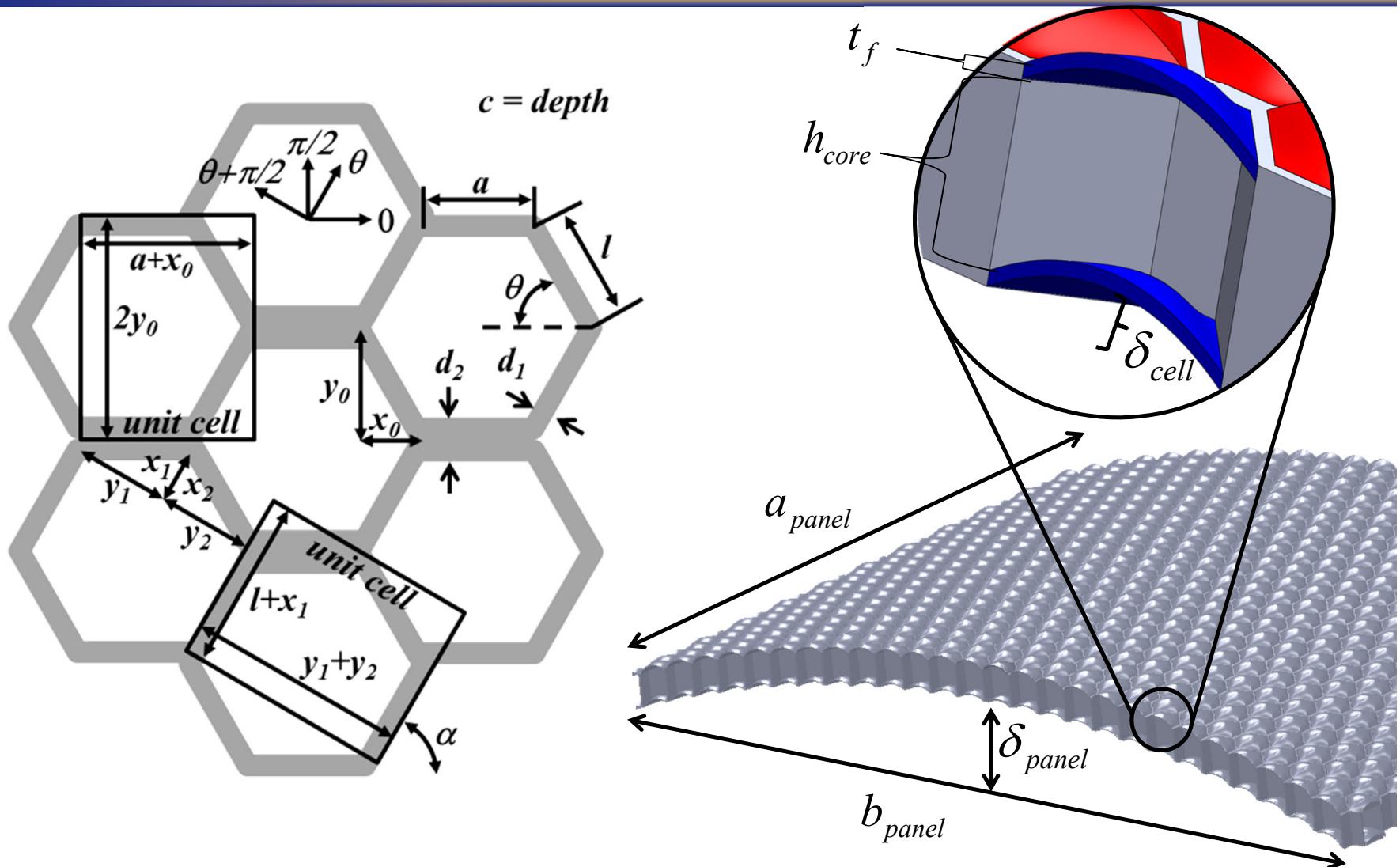


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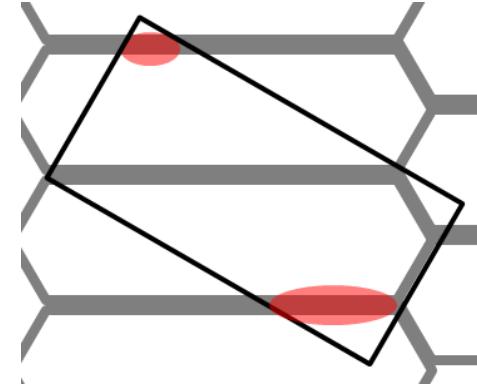
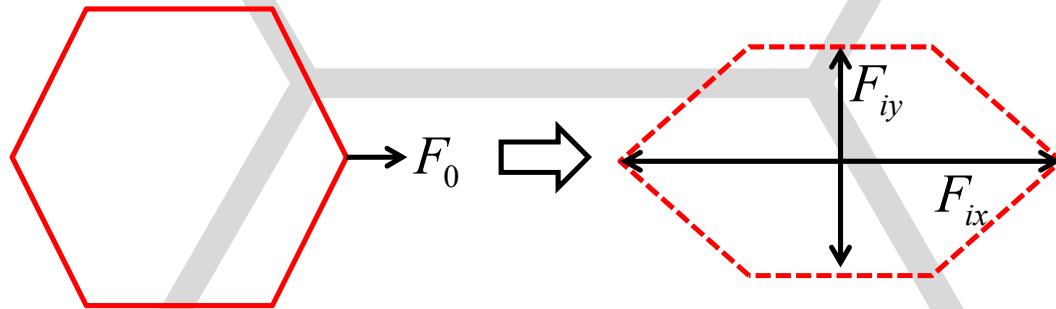


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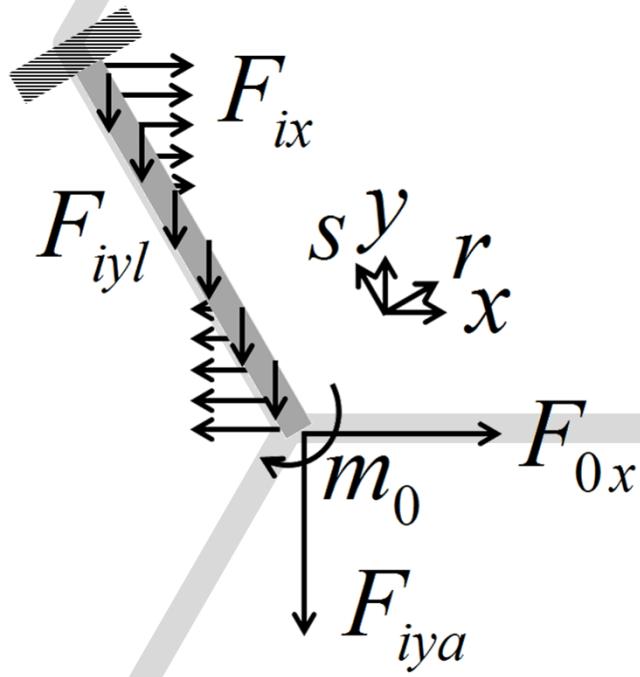




Composite Analytic Model



Non-compliant Geometry



$$\delta_j = \sum_m \left\{ \left[\int_0^{L_m} \frac{N_m^2}{2E_m A_m} \partial z + \int_0^{L_m} \frac{M_{x,m}^2}{2E_m I_{x,m}} \partial z \right] \frac{\partial}{\partial F_j} \right\}$$

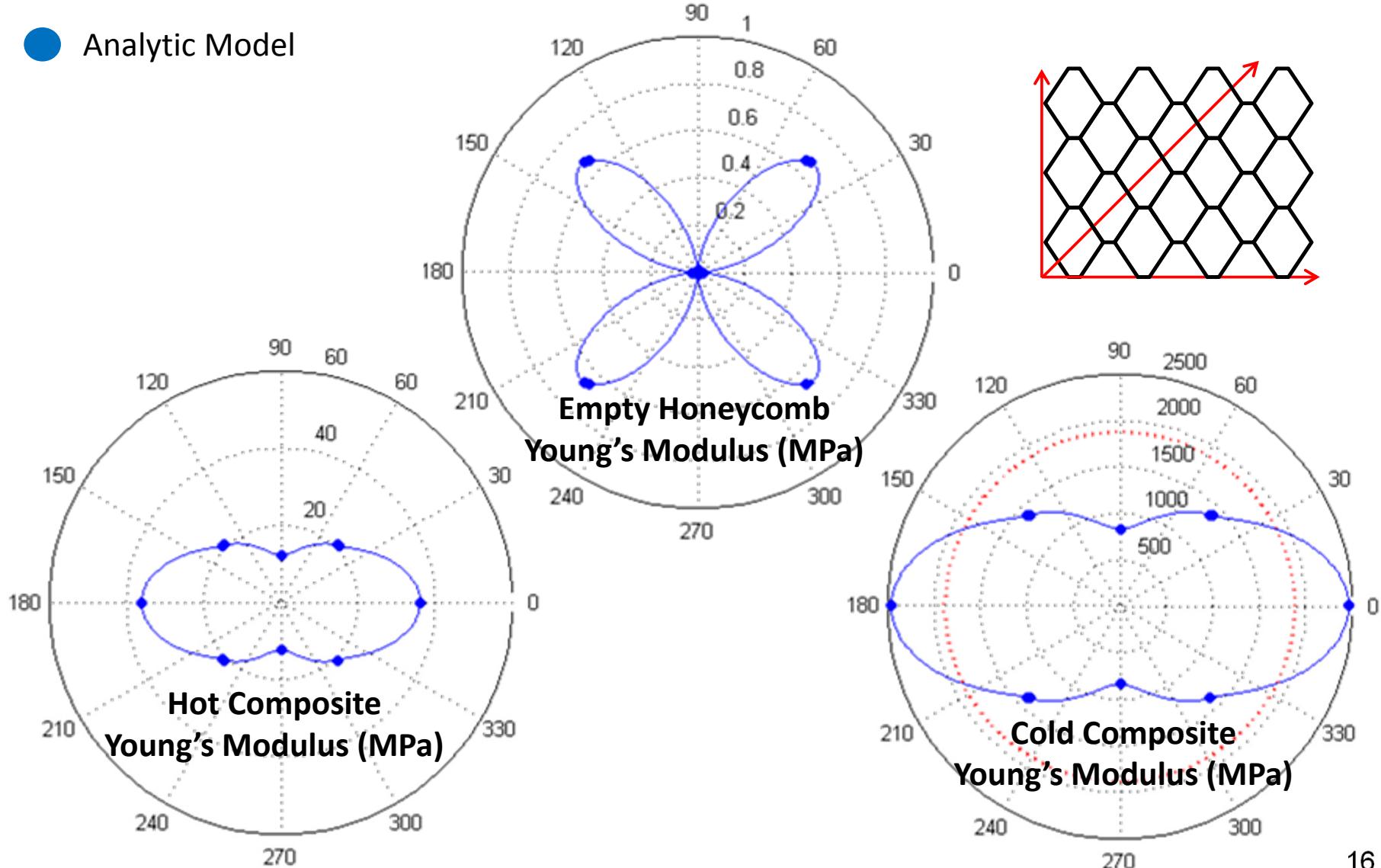
$$\delta_0 = \delta_a + 2\delta_{lr} + 2\delta_{ls}$$

$$E_{c0} = \frac{F_{00}}{\delta_0} \frac{(a + x_0)}{2cy_0}$$



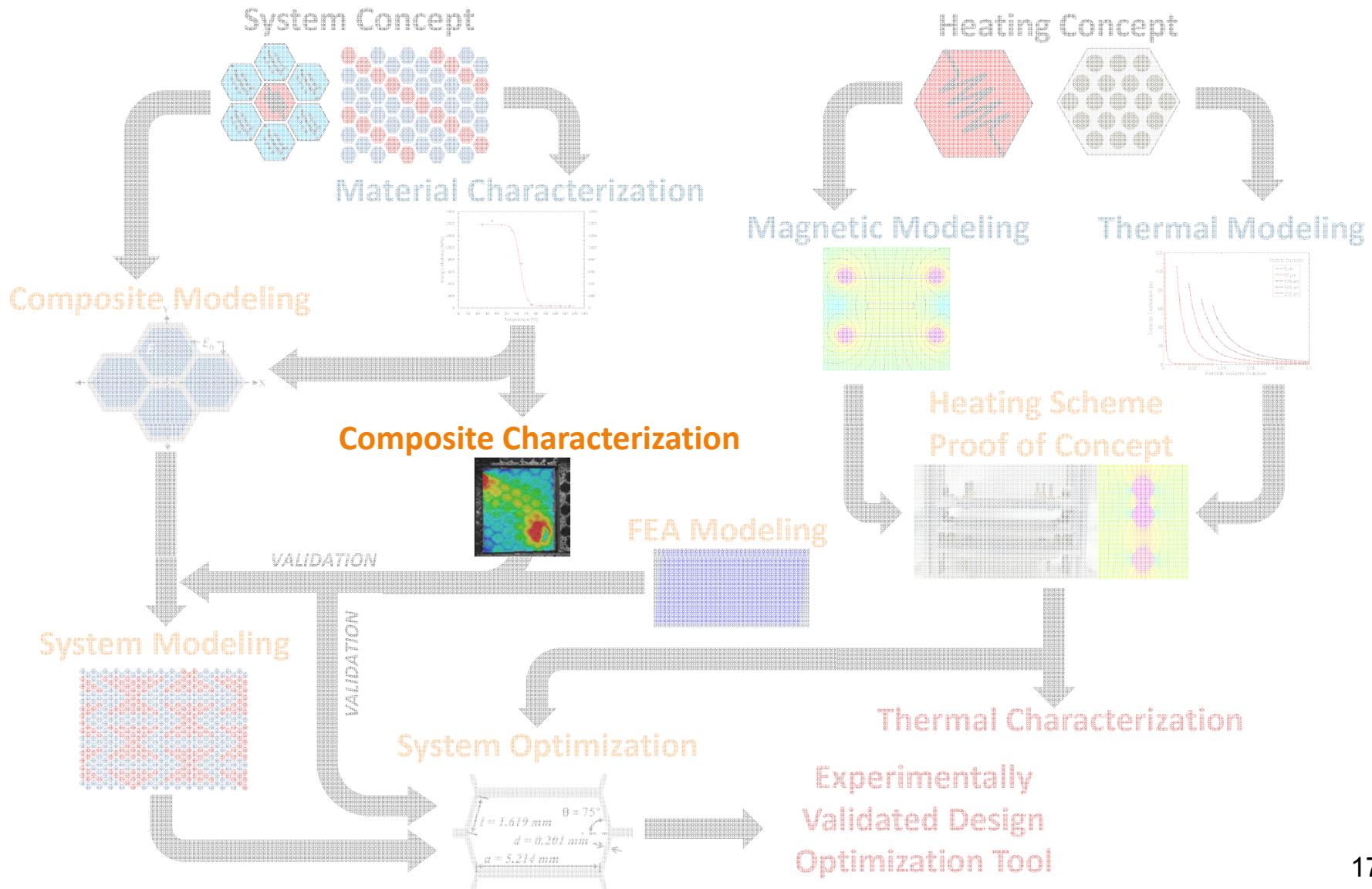
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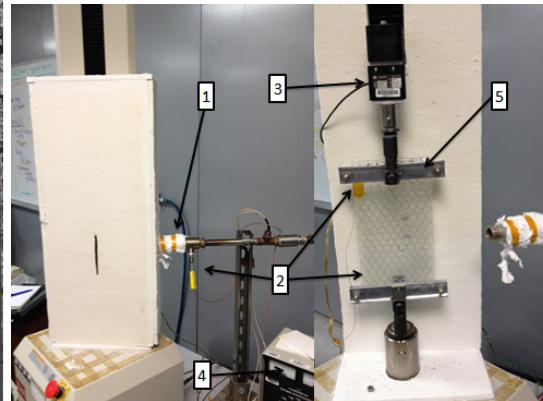
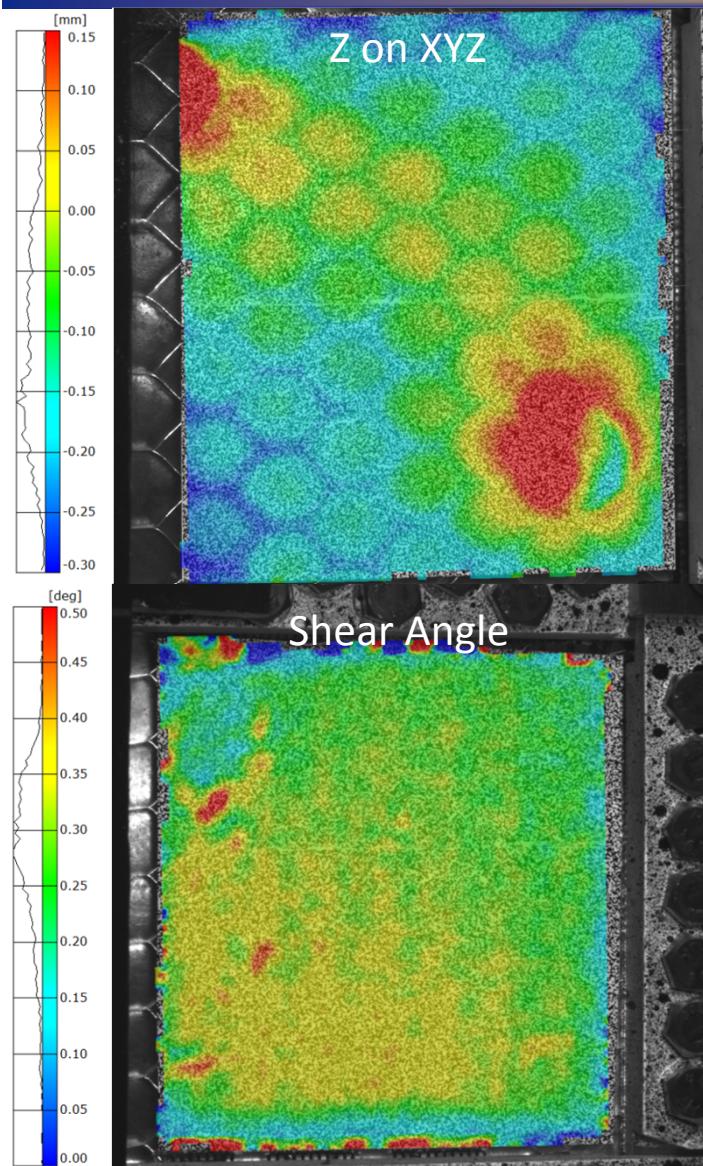


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Composite Characterization



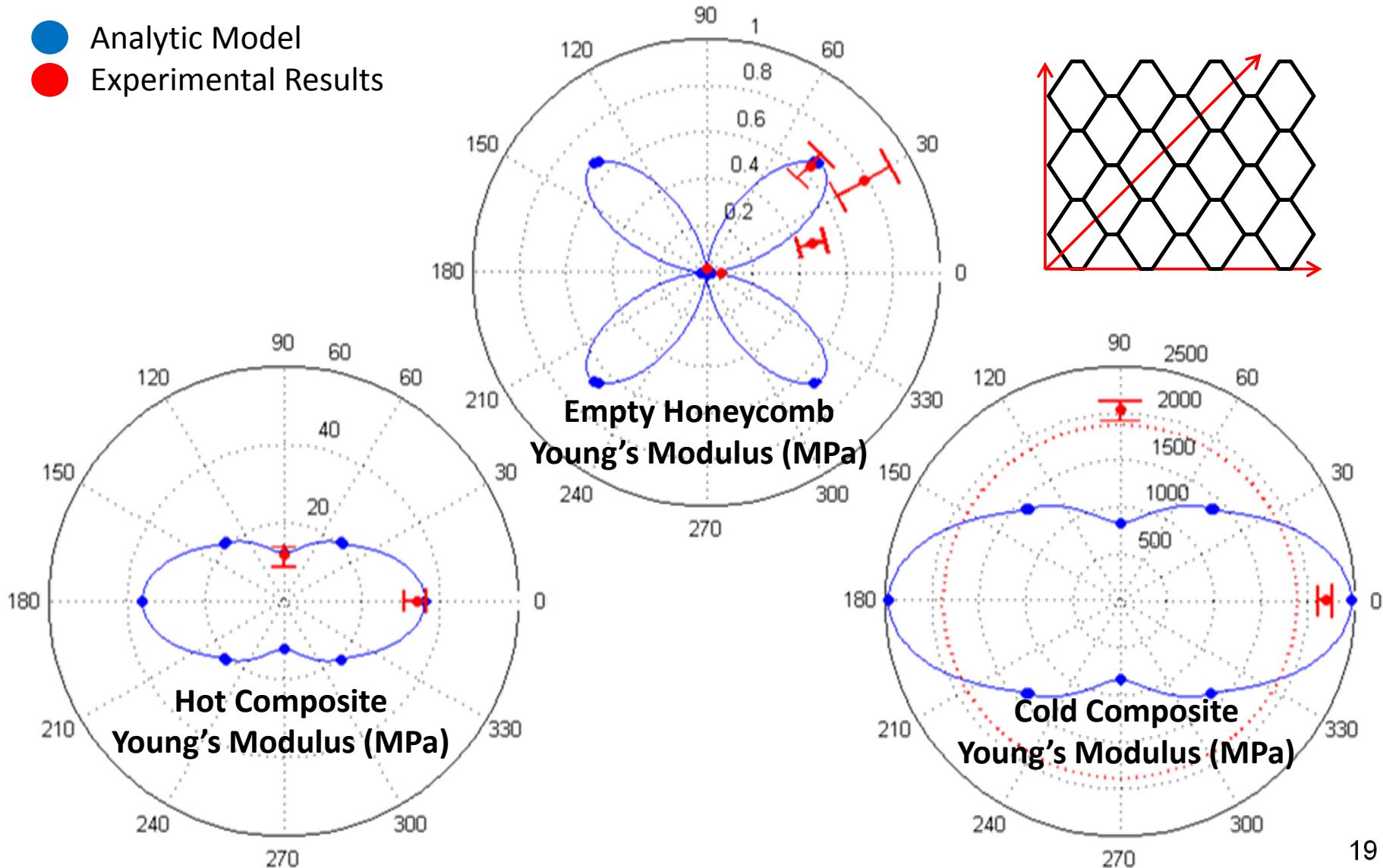
	23 °C	115 °C
E_{Epoxy}	1.3 GPa	19 MPa
E_{HX}	62.8 kPa	
E_{HY}	16.6 kPa	
E_{CX}	2.19 GPa	33.9 MPa
E_{CY}	2.04 GPa	11.8 MPa

	23 °C	115 °C
G_{Epoxy}	1.27 GPa	1.06 MPa
G_{CXY}	1.19 GPa	13.9 MPa
G_{CYX}	1.13 GPa	13.0 MPa



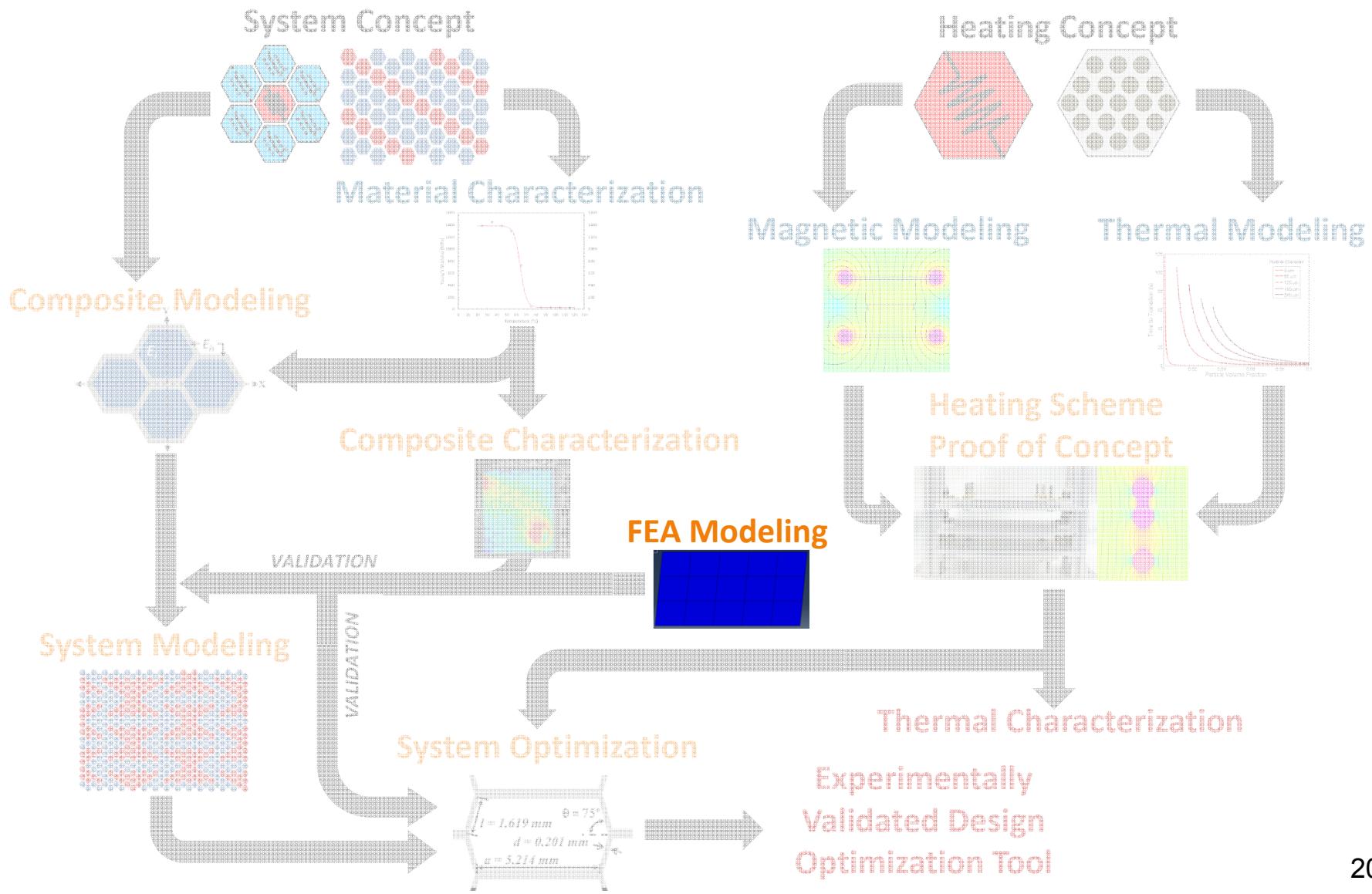
Composite Characterization

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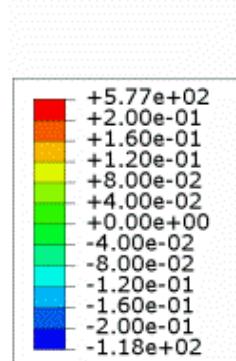
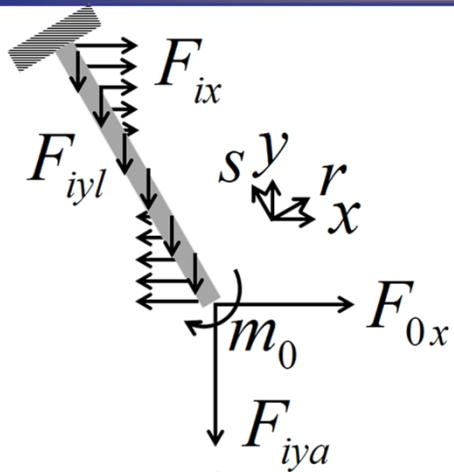


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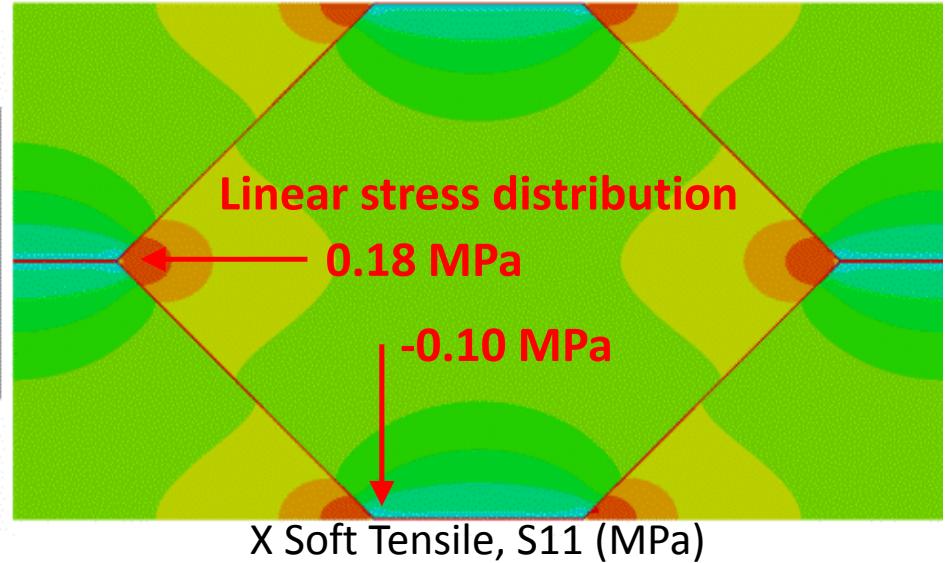




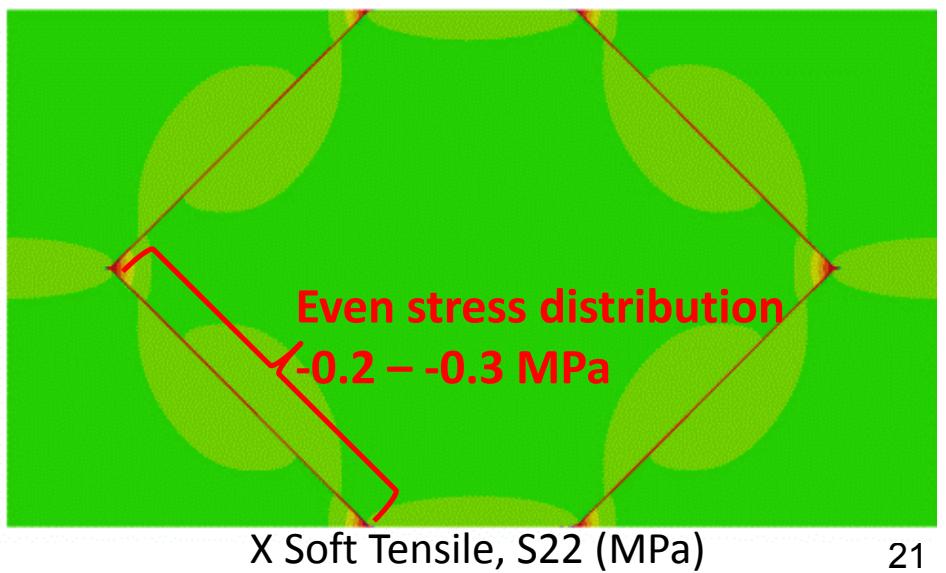
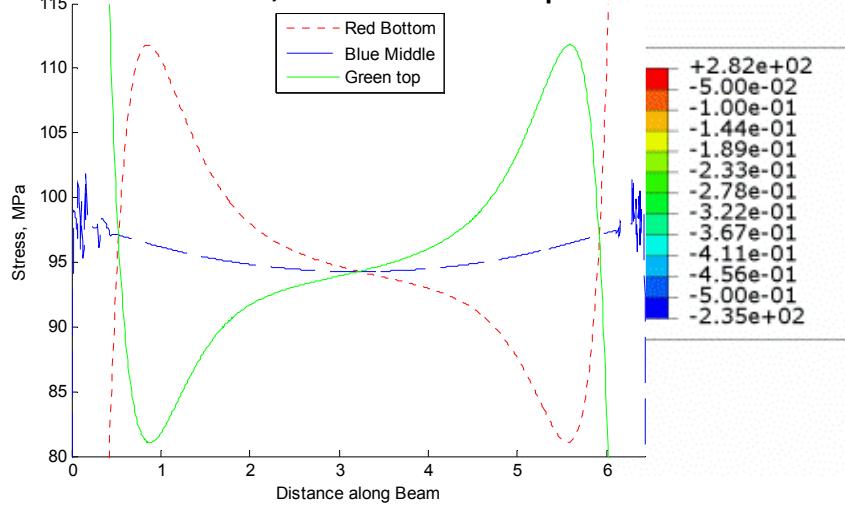
Composite FEA Model



FEA supports force distribution assumption of analytic model



X soft tension, axial stress top left beam





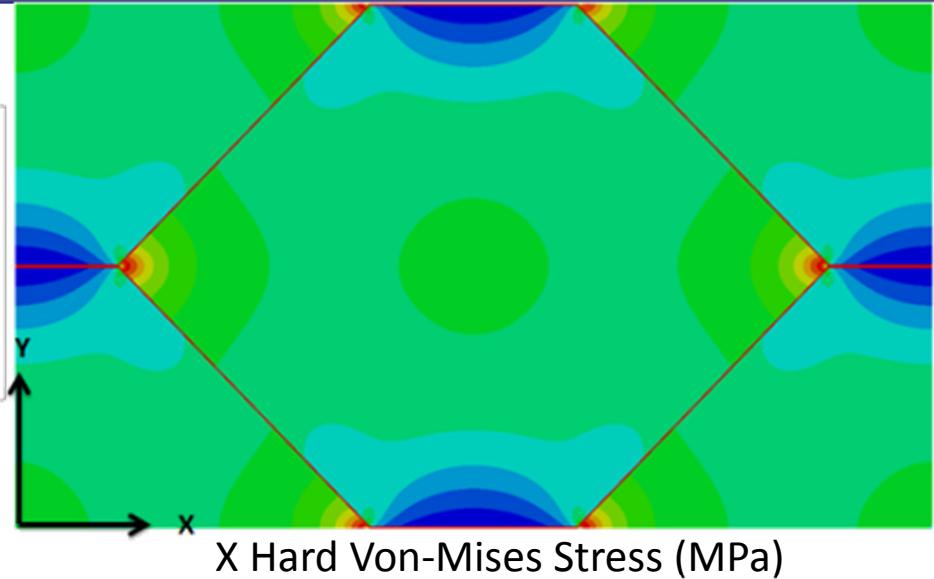
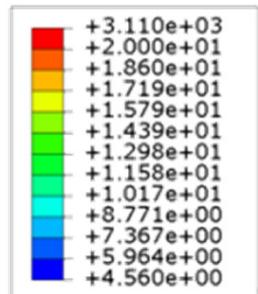
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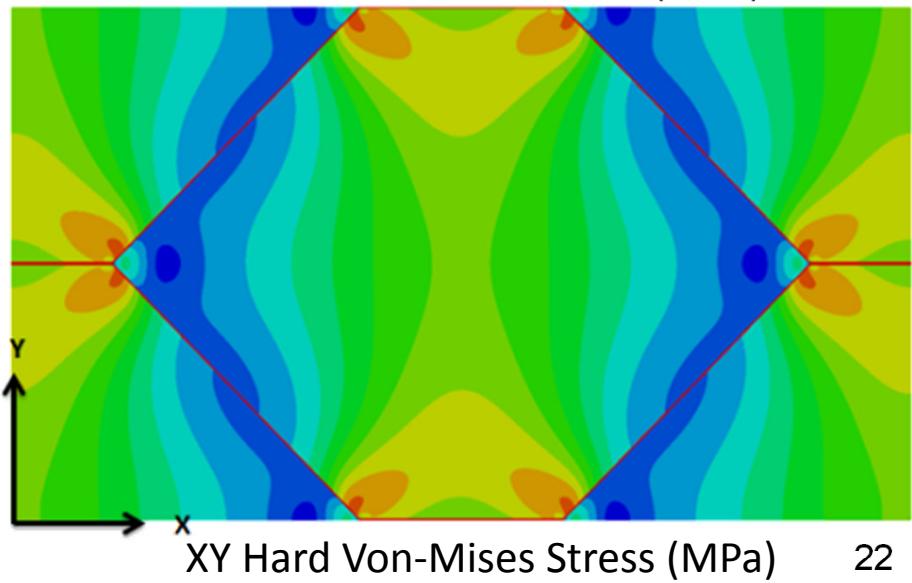
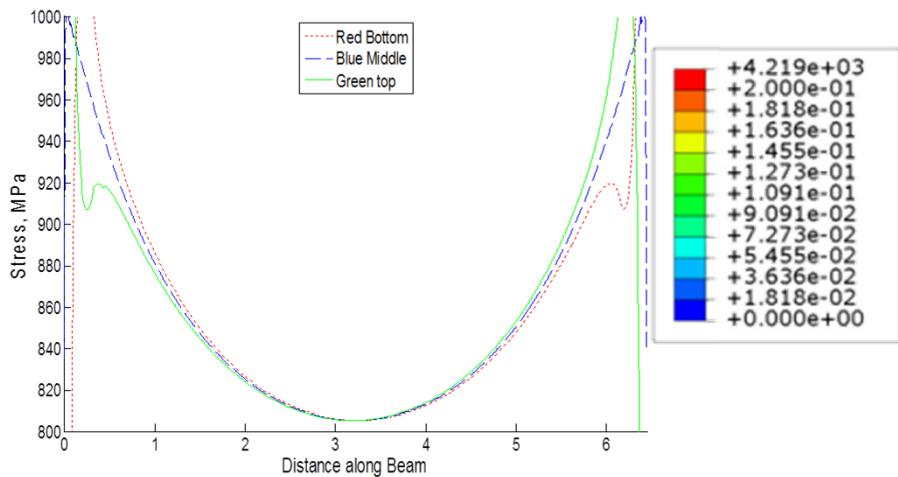
23 °C

115 °C

	23 °C	115 °C
E_{CX}	1.40 GPa	52.4 MPa
E_{CY}	1.08 GPa	17.9 MPa
G_{CXY}	0.81 GPa	16.3 MPa
G_{CYX}	0.81 GPa	16.4 MPa



X hard tension, axial stress top left beam



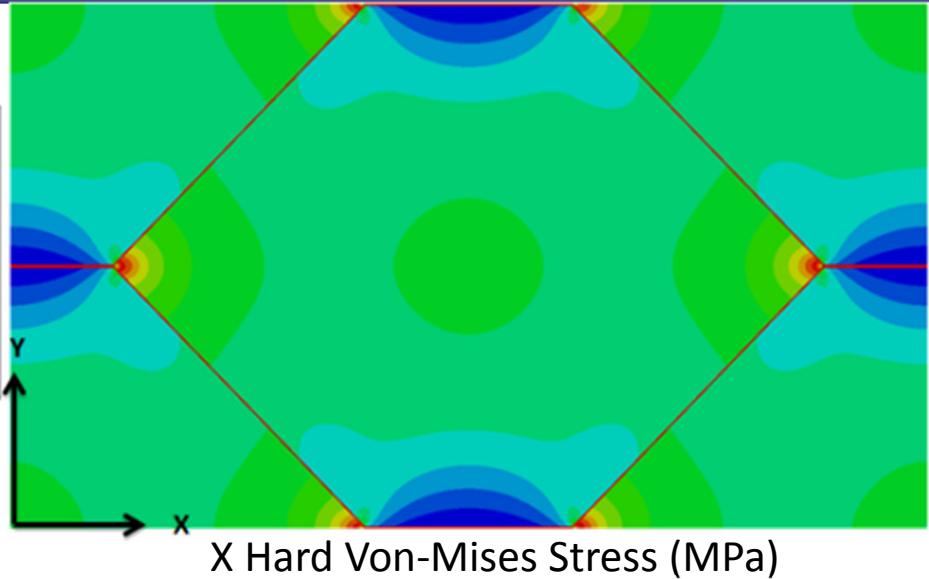
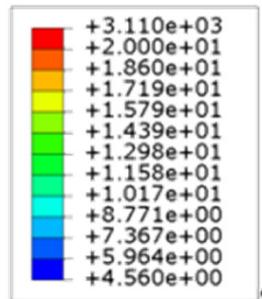


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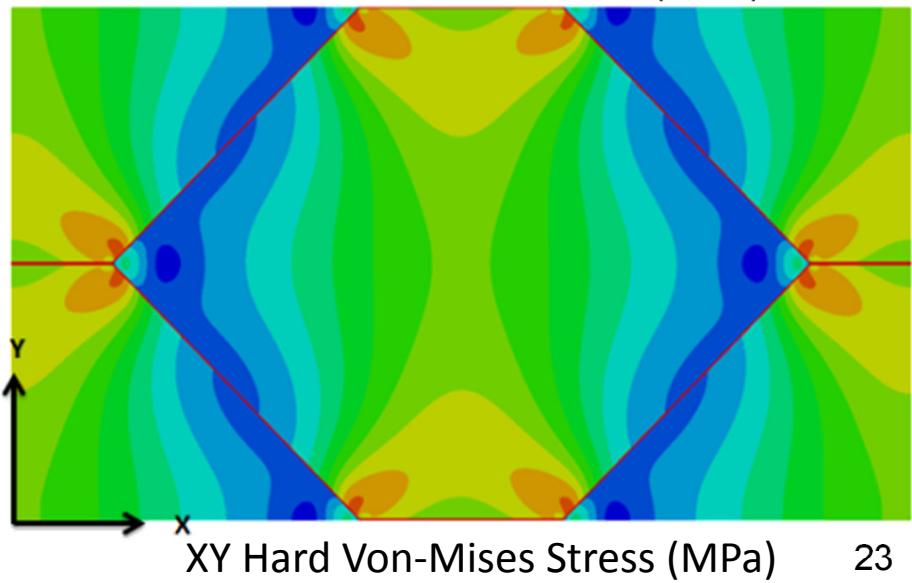
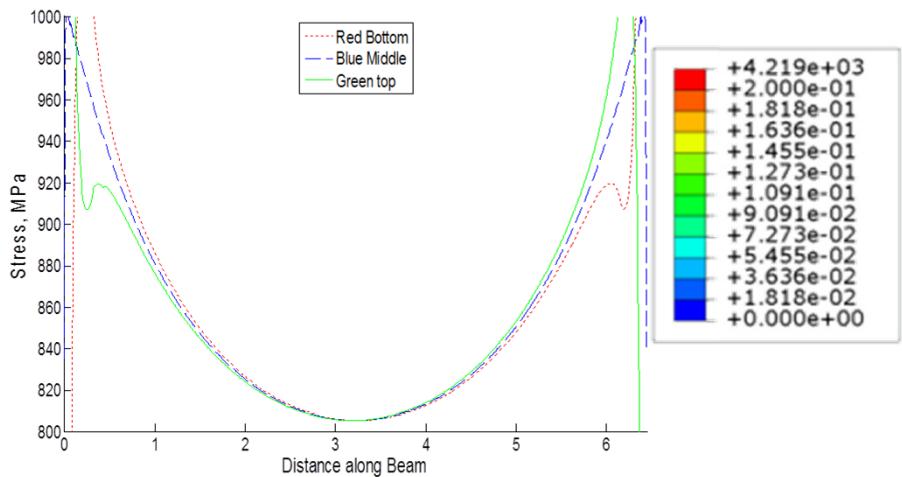


23 °C 115 °C

	23 °C	115 °C
E_{CX}	TBD	TBD
E_{CY}	TBD	TBD
G_{CXY}	TBD	TBD
G_{CYX}	TBD	TBD



X hard tension, axial stress top left beam



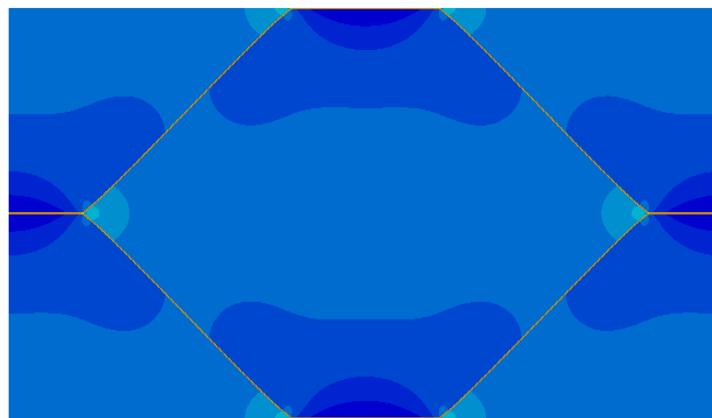


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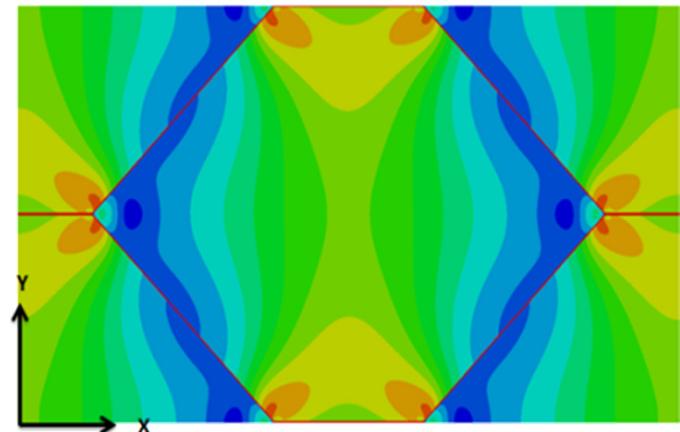


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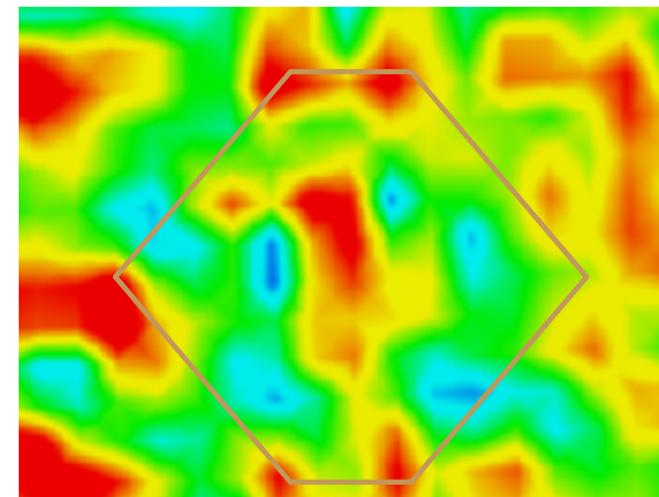
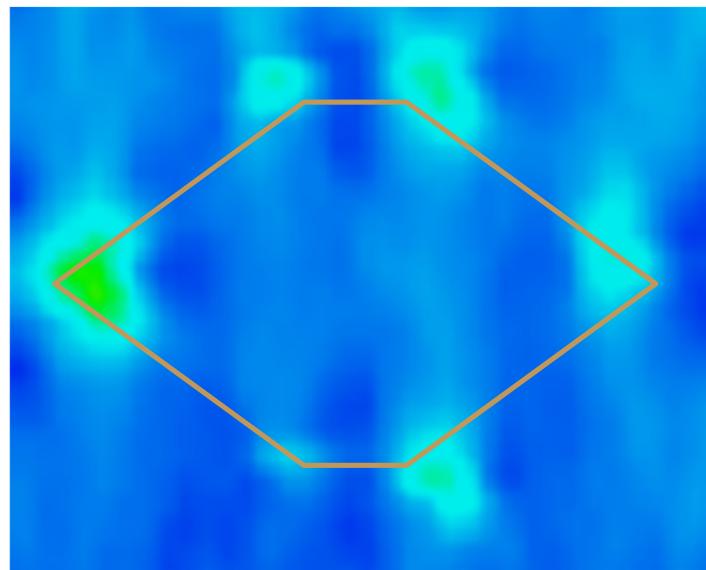
Tension (Von-Mises Stress)



Shear (Von-Mises Stress)



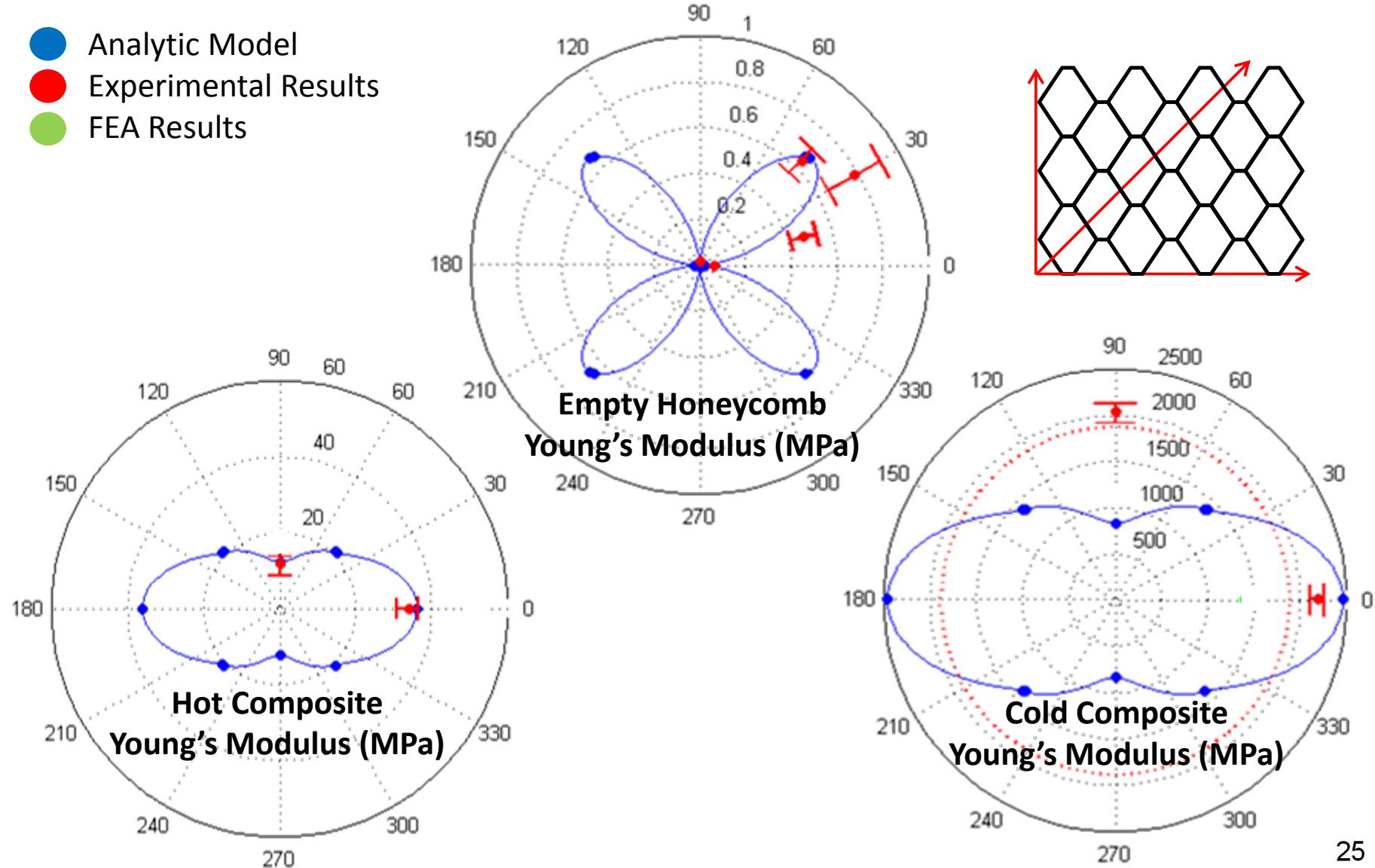
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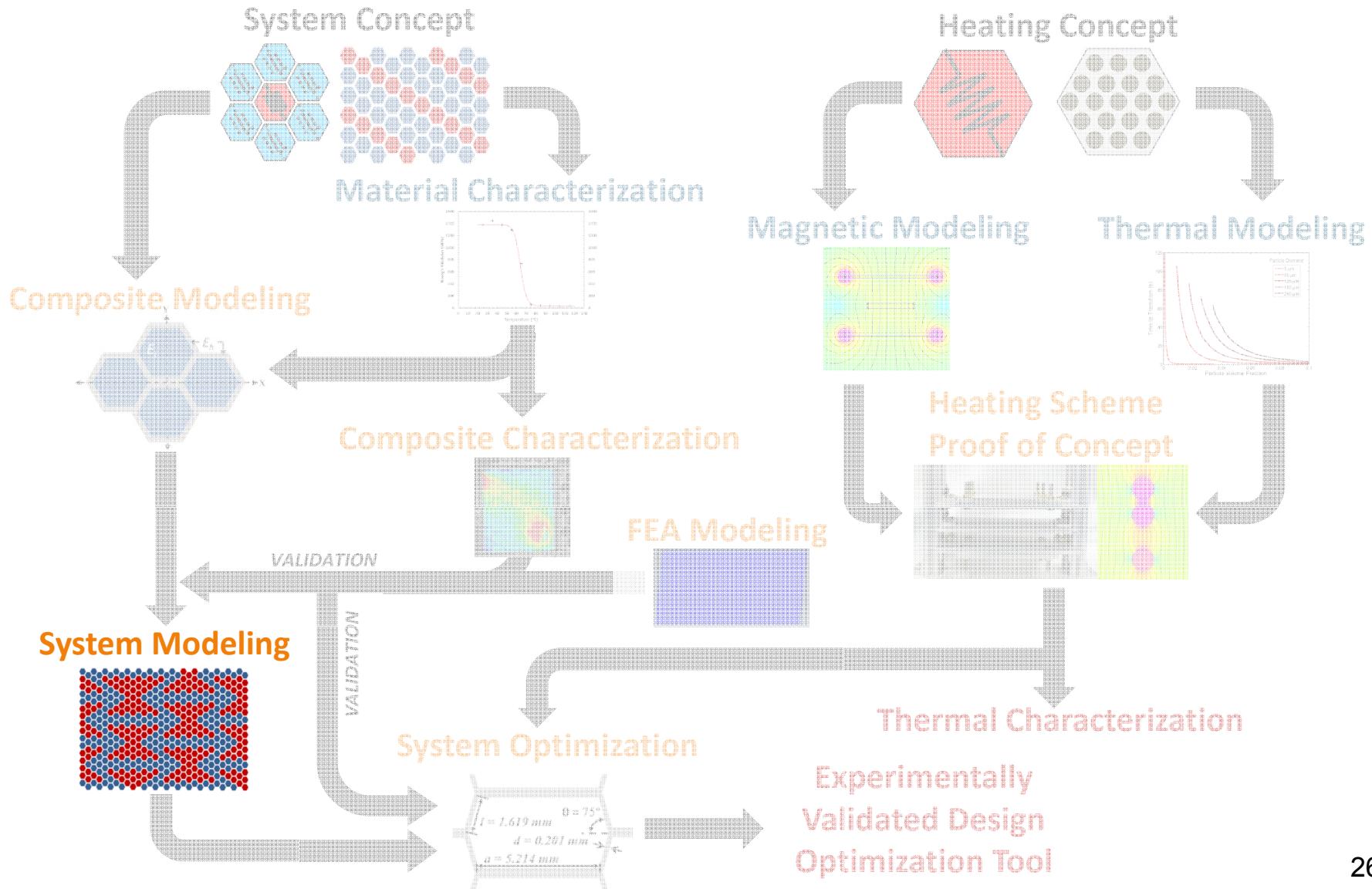
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- FEA Results





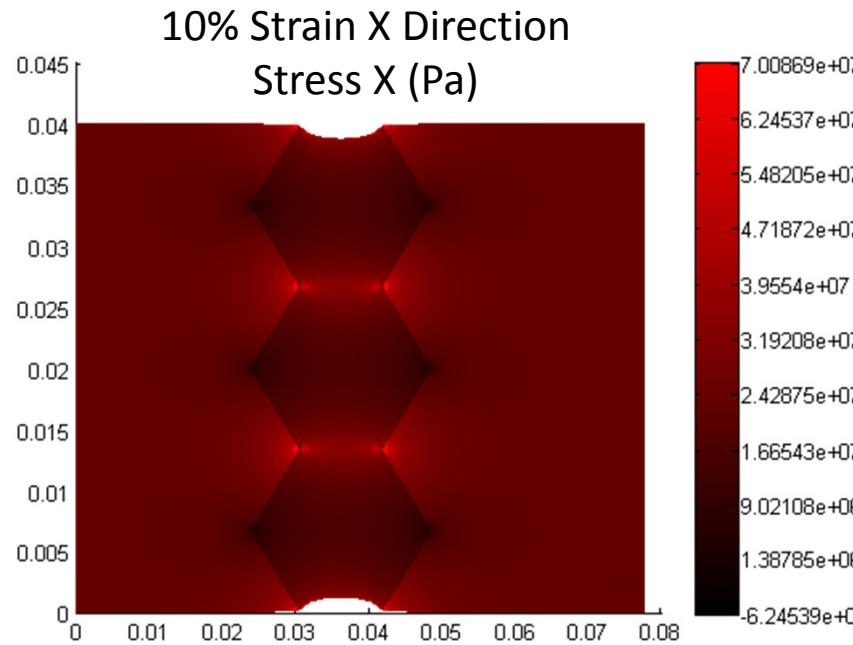
Project Roadmap





System Modeling

Low fidelity FEA
Homogenization scheme using effective composite properties
Plane Stress (z direction neglected)
In-plane only
Calculates effective E_x , E_y , G_{xy} , G_{yx} given heating pattern

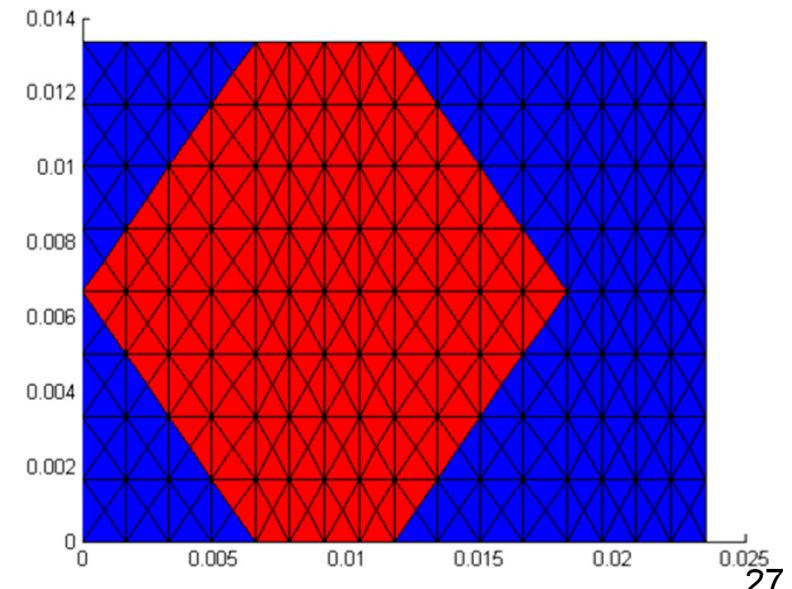


Material Stiffness Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{11} \\ \varepsilon_{22} \\ \varepsilon_{12} \\ \varepsilon_{21} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{E_1} & -\frac{v_{21}}{E_2} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{v_{12}}{E_1} & \frac{1}{E_2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{G_{12}} & \frac{\mu_{12,21}}{G_{21}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\mu_{21,12}}{G_{12}} & \frac{1}{G_{21}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} \\ \sigma_{22} \\ \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{21} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mu_{12,21} = \frac{1}{\mu_{21,12}} = \frac{(l^3 + a^3 \cos^2(\theta))(a + x_0)}{2y_0 a^3 \cos(\theta) \sin(\theta)}$$

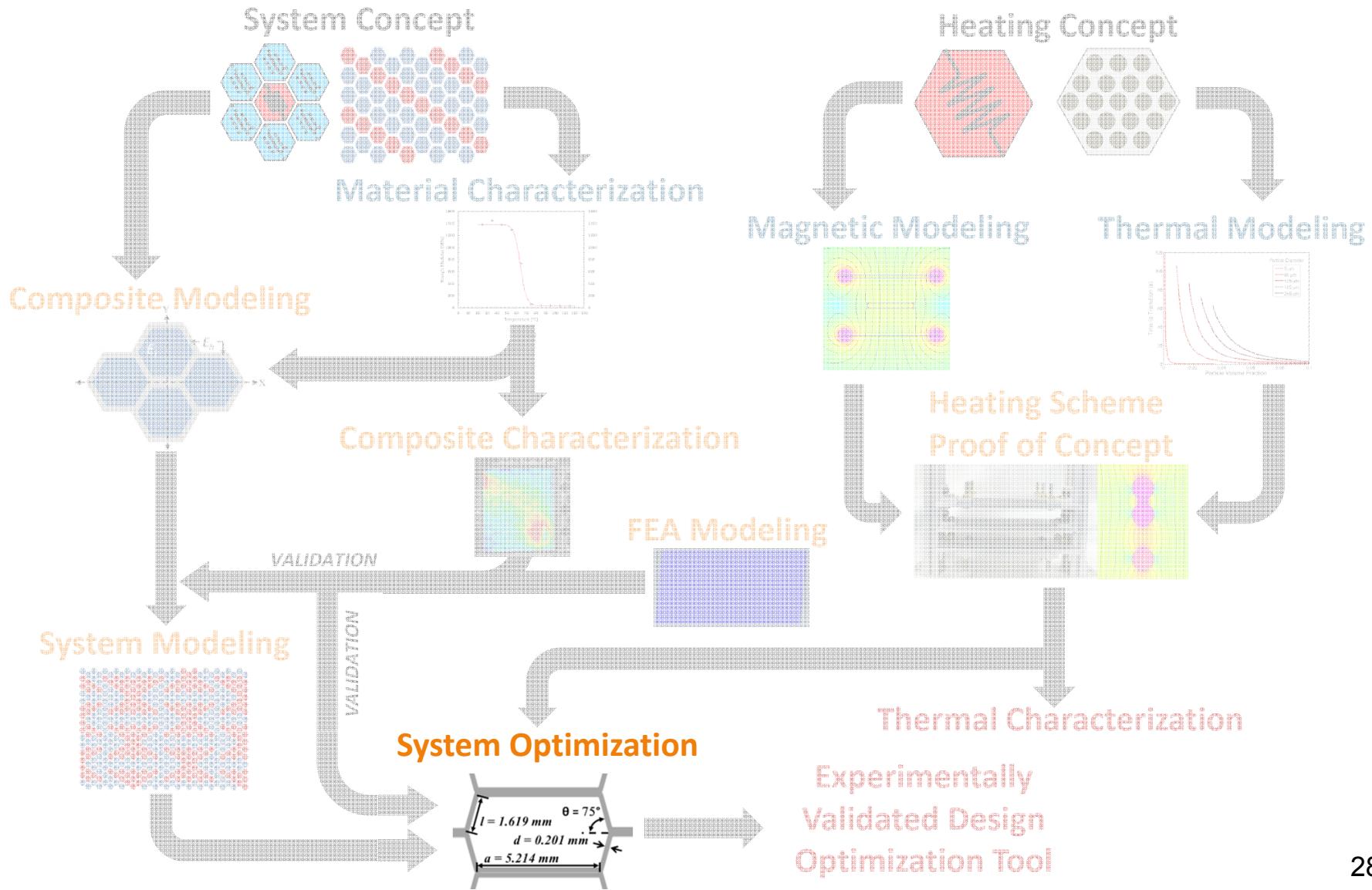
Non-zero shear coupling (Chentsov) coefficients



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Honeycomb Geometry Optimization



Design Variables

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq l(m) < \infty \\ 0.00005 &\leq d(m) < \infty \\ 0 &\leq a(m) < \infty \\ 0 &\leq \theta \leq \pi/2 \\ 0 &\leq h_{core}(m) < \infty \\ 0 &\leq t_f(m) < \infty \end{aligned}$$

Ex. Optimization Function

$$F_{ext} = ave(E_{cell})\varepsilon_{max}b_{panel}(h_{core} + 2t_f)$$

MAS Program Constraints

$$\delta = \delta_{panel} + \delta_{cell} \leq 2.54 \text{ mm}$$

$$\delta_{panel} = \frac{C_0 w b_{panel}^4}{6 E_f h_{core}^2 t_f} \left(\frac{1 - \nu_f^2}{0.91} \right)$$

$$\delta_{cell} = \frac{C_0 w \min(2y_0, a + x_0)^4}{E_i t_f^2} \left(\frac{1 - \nu_i^2}{0.91} \right)$$

$$W_{skin max} \leq 4.6 \frac{kg}{m^3} = \rho_{skin}(h_{core} + 2t_f)$$

$$\rho_{skin} = \rho_{core} \frac{h_{core}}{h_{core} + 2t_f} + \rho_f \frac{2t_f}{h_{core} + 2t_f}$$

Self-Imposed Constraints

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{x\max} &> 0.1 \\ \varepsilon_{y\max} &> 0.1 \\ \frac{1}{2} &< \frac{2y_0}{a + x_0} < 2 \end{aligned}$$

Equation Constraints

Unit Cell Equations

$$\begin{cases} \leq \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\sin(\theta)\cos(\theta)} \\ \leq \frac{2\sin(\theta) - \sin(2\theta)\cos(\theta)}{\sin(\theta)\cos(\theta)} \\ a \\ l \\ \geq 0 \\ \geq \frac{\sin\left(\frac{3\pi}{2} + 2\theta\right)}{\cos(\theta)} \end{cases}$$

Thin Beam Theory

$$\begin{cases} \leq \frac{a}{8} \\ d \\ \leq \frac{l}{8} \end{cases}$$

Sandwich Plate Deflection

$$\delta \leq (h_{core} + 2t_f)$$

$$\delta_{cell} \leq t_f$$

Material Properties Constraints

$$\frac{C_1 w b_{panel}^2}{t_f h_{core}} = \sigma_{max} \leq \frac{1.0 E 7 (Pa)}{2} = \frac{\sigma_f}{FOS}$$

$$\varepsilon_{x\max} \leq \varepsilon_{xf} = \frac{l(\cos(\beta_x) - \cos(\theta))}{a + l \cos(\theta)}$$

$$\beta_x = \cos^{-1} \left[\frac{\varepsilon_{if} a}{l} + \cos(\theta)(\varepsilon_{if} + 1) \right]$$

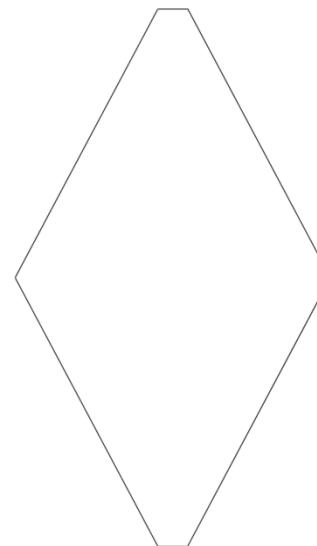
$$\varepsilon_{y\max} \leq \varepsilon_{yf} = \frac{\sin(\beta_y) - \sin(\theta)}{\sin(\theta)}$$

$$\beta_y = \cos^{-1} [\sin(\theta)(\varepsilon_{if} + 1)]$$

$$\varepsilon_{if} = 200\%$$

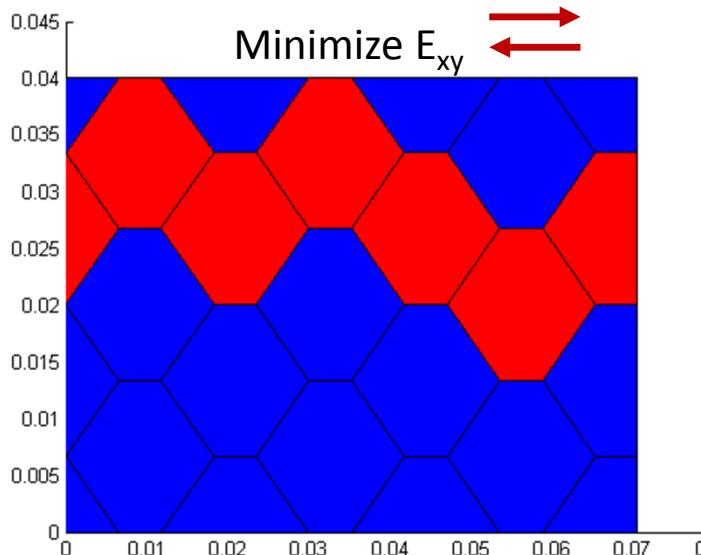
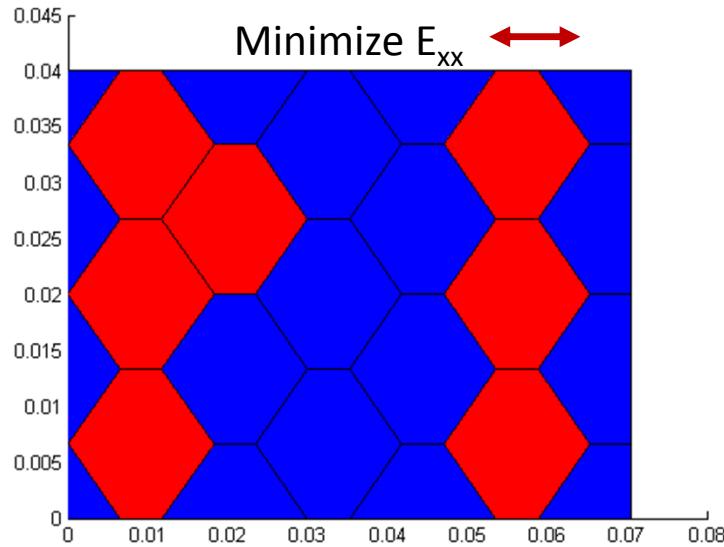
Optimized Geometry

l	10 mm
a	1.0 mm
d	0.05 mm
θ	62°
h_{core}	172 mm
t_f	2.5 mm





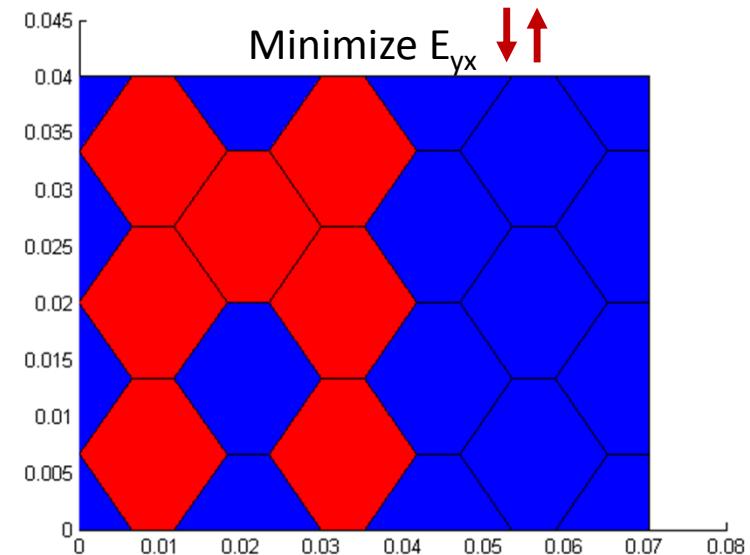
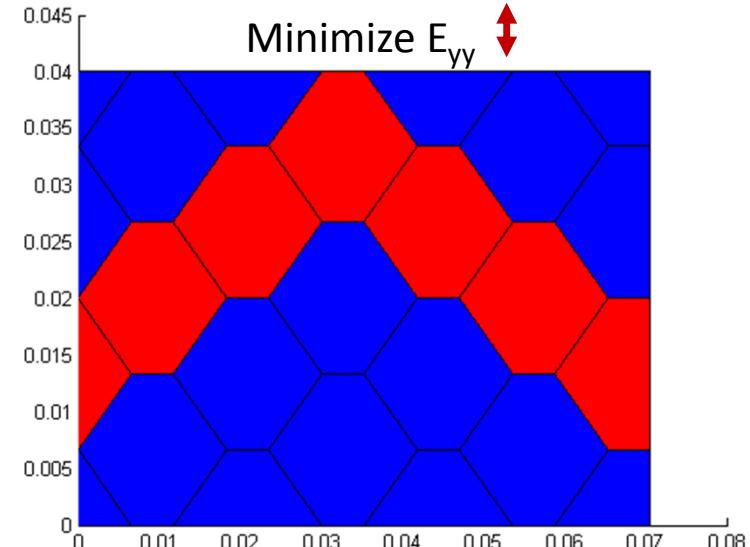
Heating Pattern Optimization



Genetic Algorithm

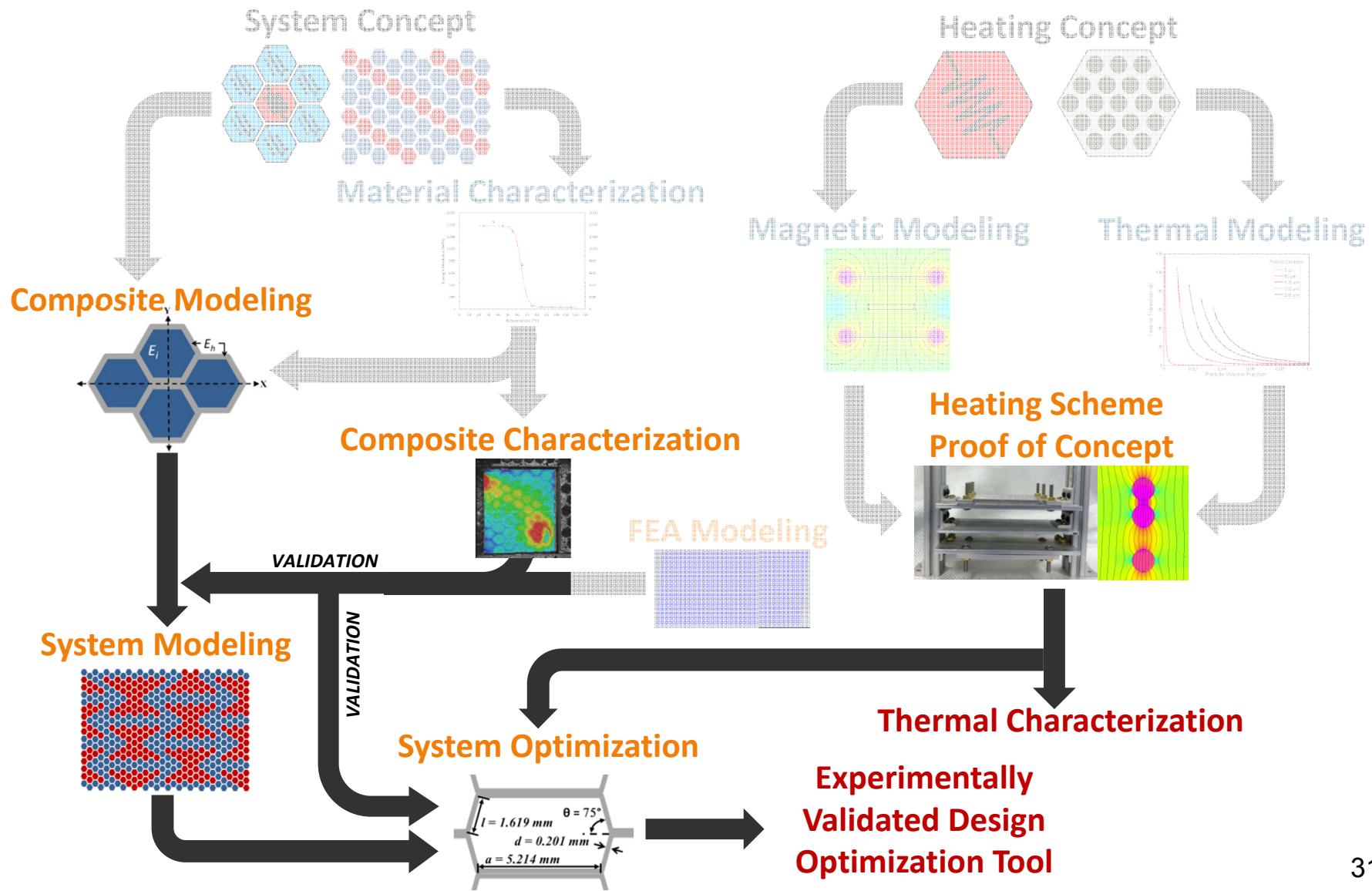
13 full cells
12 partial cells
7 hot cells
18 cold cells

Not included:
Out-of-plane def.
Deformation req.





Project Roadmap





Future Work



Future Work System Scheme

- Heating Pattern Optimization
- System Integration / Fabrication
- System Characteristics Envelope

Future Work Heating Scheme

- Thermal characterization of heating scheme
- Thermal diffusion between cells
- Direct write electrodes (variable patterns)



Conclusions



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- **Viable Option for Morphing Structures**
- **30-40% In-plane Strain Achievable**
- **Accurate Analytic Model of Filled Honeycomb**
- **Optimistic High Thickness SMP Heating Scheme**